



Out of  
**LEFT**  
FIELD

# TRAILBLAZER '88



Finishing off a perfect routine, Pacesetter lieutenant Donna Kavitsch turns to the crowd and flashes a smile. The Pacesetters were later invited to attend the Texas Rangers opening game to perform at half-time.



Heading toward the basket for a lay-up, Milayna Burch shoots past her opponent for two points. The Lady Stallions defeated Clear Lake 50-34 on their way to a 36-1 record.

Booster club banners flout the sky at Memorial Stadium for Homecoming against North Garland. Sophomore jocks Jay Martin and Scotty Scholer raise a banner as a sign of support, along with Jenny Jones, who is wearing a mum for the night.

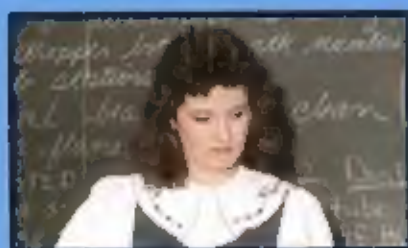




## 82 People

We filtered in and out of the classrooms and to our lockers. No one was left out. "We" made up the people and we made the difference.

## BETWEEN THE COVERS



### Academics 6

From dissection in Biology class to Shakespeare in English, by intellectual stimulation and growth we learned and prepared for the real world outside.

### Student Life 24

We ventured out on the weekends and left the campus behind. Our days were highlighted with events outside the school hours and beyond the school doors.



### Sports 160



We left the school building and hit the playing fields, the track, and gym looking for some real competition and the chance to explore our talents.

### Organizations 202

Through involvement and support, organizations pushed their outer limits — looking for, and finding real dedication.



### Community Support 254

We felt the spirit inside our school, but support from the outside brought it together. We were left with a sense of pride and support.





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so glad I will become  
friends. You're such  
a neat person!  
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guys stay sweet  
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Bus. Sch. on Sun.  
Keep in touch  
Mya  
Michelle  
B.

Amy Moffett

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Sweet  
Love  
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Brent  
Hey cutie  
Stay Sweet! Always  
keep your smile  
and sense of  
humor  
never change  
always keep  
in touch!  
Love ya!  
Steepe





*and into space.*

Taking notes on the instrument panel of a NASA jet that escorts the space shuttles from the Houston Center, Stacy Spears was one of forty-five Aerospace students who went to Houston on a one day trip to NASA Space Center. The group was sponsored by Glenda Pinkston.

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# Out of LEFT FIELD

## and into the open

### THE BEGINNING OF SCHOOL HAD STUDENTS READY AND WAITING

Bells rang, as the halls were once again flooded with students waiting for activities to begin. We cheered our football team to a Bi-District win against Carter, and a Regional play-off berth against Cypress Fairbanks, where the season ended in a loss by one penetration in a tied score of 28-28. Girls basketball entered into the state playoffs with a 31-0 regular season record. In the midst of crowning Amy Dickey homecoming queen on October 2, a mounting Presidential election got underway as students worked and prepared for the world outside.

**Before the Homecoming Game** against Greenville, Lisa Herrage waits for the action to begin. Amy Dickey was crowned Homecoming Queen, and the Stallions defeated Greenville, 45-14. Photo by Ron Taylor.



**In their auto mechanics class**, Jody Parker, Mark Ross, and Daniel Srilman inspect a piece of machinery before putting it to use. Auto Mechanics class was held in the mornings at Mesquite High School. Photo by John Woolard.

**Dipping into ketchup**, Tina Maddox shows spirit by donning a pair of sunglasses for spirit day. Cafeteria food ranged from french fries and chicken fried steak, to barbecue sandwiches. The cost of a hot lunch was \$1.60. Photo by George Thixton.









Reduction



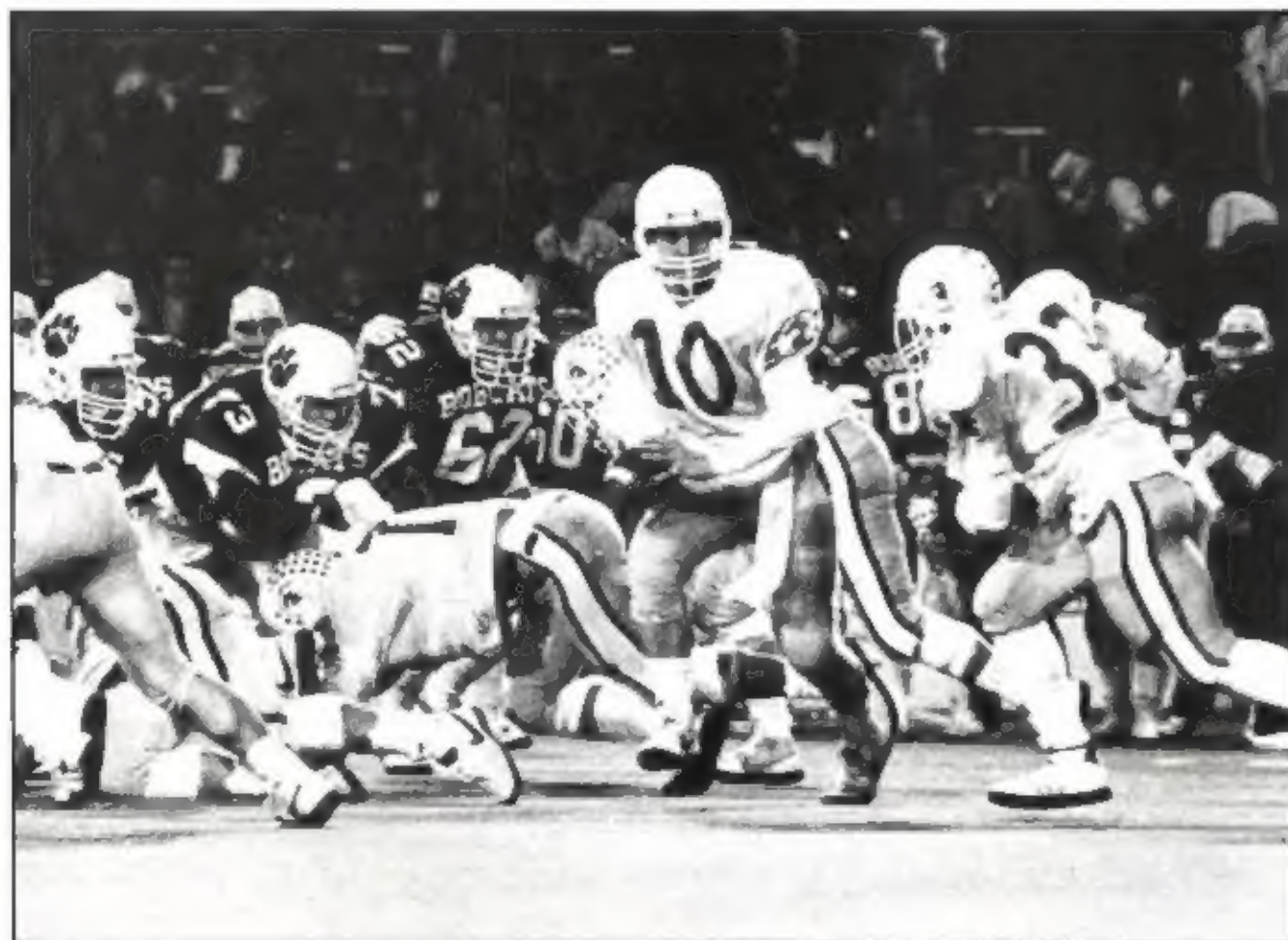


## and into the action

### STUDENTS PREPARED TO MAKE DECISIONS BUT ALSO LIKED THEIR TIME OF HIGH SCHOOL "BLISS"

We celebrated daily — through sports events, weekends away, and organizations — the "bliss" of high school. Seniors ordered announcements, had portraits taken, and got their final fittings for cap and gowns on February 23. Our future was only a few short months away and we were making the transition out of left field. Our classes were training for the real world, but we lacked experience and were willing to venture into areas to gain much needed this experience. There were work programs to ease us into our work; sports to prepare us for competition; and our studies to teach us self-discipline. We looked forward to coming out of left field and going into the real world.

*Looking over the photographs, Sandy Reville chooses pictures that were published in the '87 Trailblazer. Black and white pictures were sold at the Yearbook Signing Party of \$04, while color sold for \$1.00. The party was held on September 1 — the first day of school. Photo by George Thixton.*



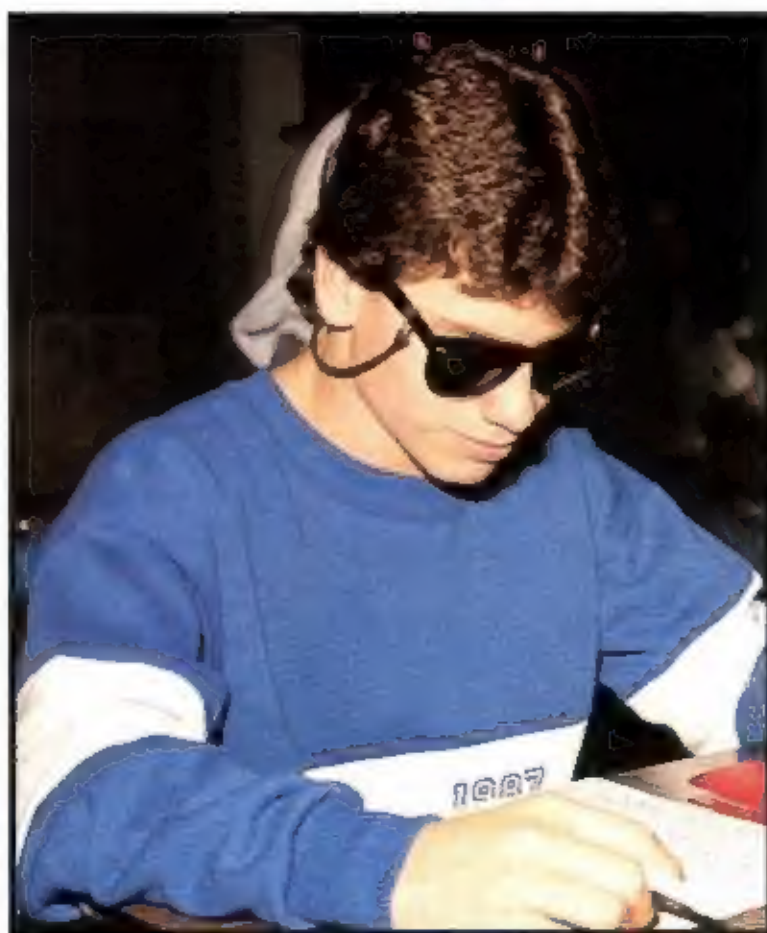
During a halftime performance, Steve Tucker concentrates on the drum major's directions. Steve is part of the percussion line of the Big Blue. Photo by Ron Taylor.

In the regional game against Cypress Fairbanks, Quarterback Robby Vaughn gets ready to hand off to Robert "Jam" Jones. The game against the Bobcats ended the season for the Stallions, due to one penetration in a tied game of 28-28, at Baylor Stadium. Photo by Kyle Herron.



# Out Of the Ordinary

*Academics.* With classes from Calculus to Cosmetology and Algebra to Auto Mechanics, students became prepared academically for the world outside. Graduating a National Merit Scholarship finalist — Stephen Crabtree — the class of '88 was the first to leave NM under the rules and regulations of House Bill 72 and its stringent graduation requirements. We met the challenge and came one step closer to the real world, equipped with 21 high school credits under our belts.



Boosting spirit, and studying at the same time, Gabe Rodriguez prepares for a test in 2nd period on Sunglasses Day. Spirit days ranged from Nerd Day for Highland Park to Cowboy Day for the Mesquite game.

"The most unusual thing about the NM Academic standpoint is how much the teachers really care."

— Erin Mattingly, 1988



Working for perfection, Matt Wolfgang studies his materials to prepare for an upcoming Academic Decathlon meet. Sponsors for the group were Karen Allen and Roger Frith.







Extra

# POINTERS

**A**s the 3:30 bell rang, Chemistry teacher, Alesia Brandler, and Algebra teacher, Ray McFaul began their after school activity-tutoring.

Since detention hall was held in his room, Ray McFaul journeyed to the teachers' lounge where students could easily find him. Alesia Brandler, on the other hand, stayed in A-6 where she taught during 6th period. Also staying behind were the students who were having problems with their work.

"I'm afraid to ask questions during class if I don't understand because I feel like everyone is staring at me. I feel like they think I'm dumb because I don't understand," Stacy Bussey said.

Some students, who understood, helped their friends with the hard-to-understand material.

"I found my friends easier to understand than teachers because they were on my level. They think the same way I do!" Tommy Urrutia said.

Students had mixed feelings when it came to asking questions.

"It doesn't bother me at all to ask a question because I know others are wondering about the same thing," Matt Butler said.

Other students found butterflies fluttering in their stomachs when it came to tutoring, however.

"Peers are easier to understand than teachers because they're in your shoes. They have probably had the same problems you have and they might have certain ways that can help you understand the subject easier," Holly Lawrence said.

"Tutoring improves grades tremendously!" Russell Ferrel said.

*"Sometimes it makes me nervous to ask for help because I feel dumb like I ought to know how to do it, but I know how much tutoring can help so I don't worry too much."*

— Thomas Chacko



Trigonometry has never been so intriguing to Julie Reyna and Jennifer Perryman. Julie and Jennifer found each other helpful when they did not listen to Ray McFaul during class. Photo by Kyle Herron.

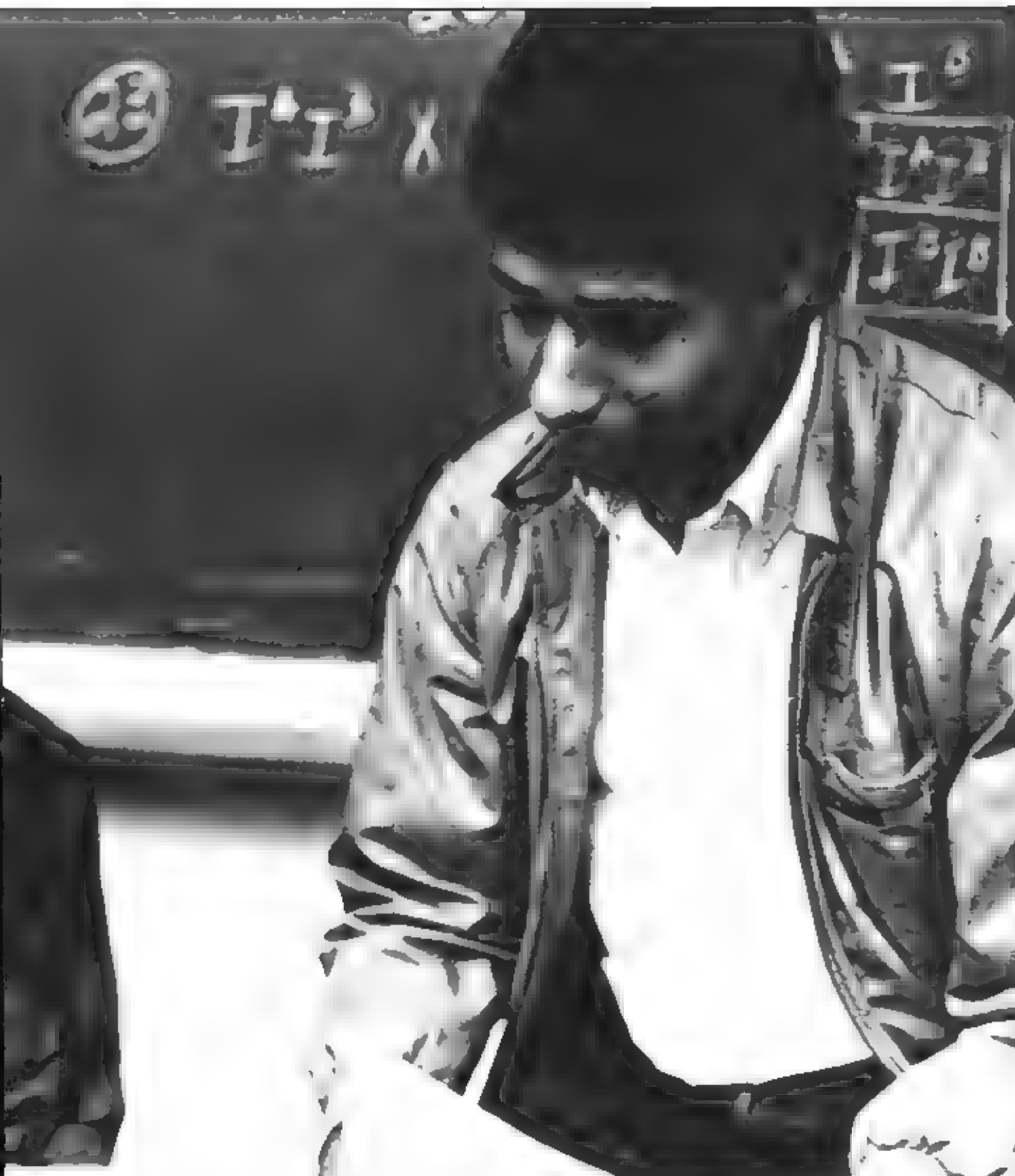


Finding one last joke, Jacob Baby and Jack Parnelli study for their English test in the cafeteria before school. Some students found the cafeteria a refuge in the final minutes before school started. Photo by Kyle Herron.



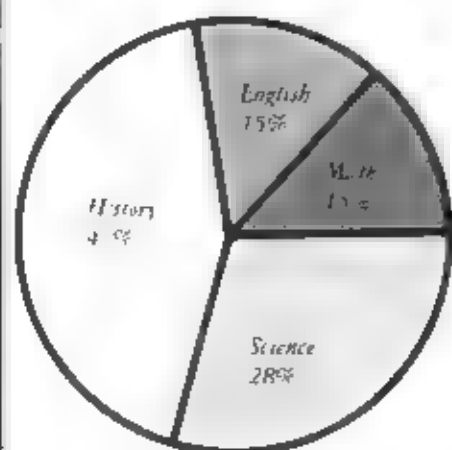
Instead of attending a tutoring session, Darrel Jones parks himself in the school lobby next to the trophy case in the quiet of the early morning. Tutoring was held in minute sessions Tuesday through Thursday both before and after school. Photo by Kyle Herron.





Puzzled by the genetics problem, Thomas Chako gets help from biology teacher, Glenda Pinkston. Biology II students studied subjects ranging from cells to ecosystems. Photo by Kyle Herron

On a warm winter morning, Dennis Putnam showed Kevin Lenk the English assignment that he had missed the previous day. Some students found it easier to concentrate in the fresh air. Photo by Kyle Herron



## Your Point of View

The seniors were asked what their favorite subject was. Their responses are shown in the graph.

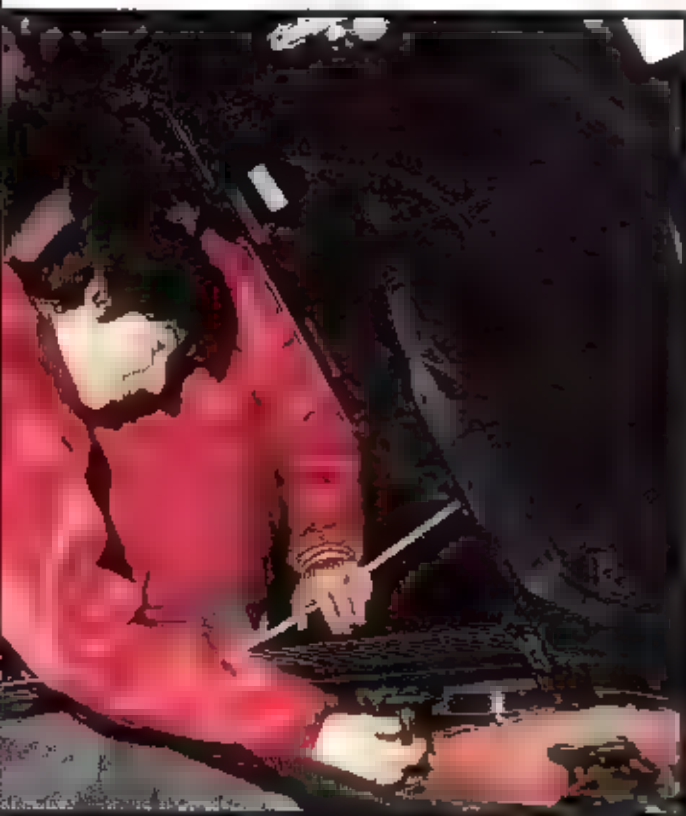


Trying to clarify the problem, Vicki Glenn shows Shannon Harpold another way to do the problem that worked with parabolas. Vicki Glenn's tutoring sessions were held after school from 3:30-4:00. Photo by Kyle Herron



Practicing their manicuring skills on Tracy Ellis, Christy Delp and Sandra Shaw set up a table in the Cosmetology lab at West Mesquite High School. Girls completing the course hope to have enough experience to work in a beauty salon. *Photo by Ron Taylor*

Under the hood of a car in Auto Mechanics 2 at Mesquite High, Mark Ross checks the spark plugs on the distributor. Students earned three credits in the class and learned basic mechanic skills. *Photo by John Woolard*



With only a semester left in high school Julie Carroll styles Leslie Nightingale's hair into a banana clip. Julie and Leslie were the only seniors in Cosmetology 2 from NMHS. *Photo by Ron Taylor*

Weider's hot in place, Scott Whitaker and Brad Austin straighten metal pieces before welding. Safety gloves and glasses were part of the projects that could get pretty hot, especially in the warm months of school. *Photo by John Woolard*







## first hand experience

Students dream of open campus, and being able to leave school. They dream of pulling out of the parking lot with full confidence that the security guard will not tag them.

"I have yet to be stopped in the parking lot," Mike Kline said.

For some students dream is reality with a catch. They have the freedom to go off campus only to travel to another one.

"I enjoy going to Mesquite. It is a different experience," Shane Lawson said.

Being involved in Cosmetology, Automobile Mechanics and other courses give students the opportunity to go from NMHS to West Mesquite or Mesquite.

"Leaving NM early gives me an hour to eat before I have to clock in," Michelle Caballero said.

Taking Cosmetology is giving me the edge that I need to take and pass my State Board exam, Shauna Workman said.

Another trade offered by the MISD is Automobile Mechanics.

"Mechanics has helped me in the fact that if my car breaks down I will be able to find the problem," Todd Adley said.

Students get the experience through actual work on automobiles. The use of diagnostic equipment and shop management is needed to complete the two year course.

Sometimes I feel as though I will never be able to go the full two years, but I will," Jody Parker said.

Students of these trades, plus Auto Paint and Body, Metal Trades and a few others are encouraged to become members of the Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA). Members are encouraged to participate in district and state contest.

"Its primary objective is to promote social and vocational awareness," Vocational Counselor Jim Webb said.

Drafting Trades student, Marco Martinez makes dimensions on the drafting table. Every student created a portfolio of his work to earn his grades. Photo by John Woolard.



What's

# COOKING

**S**tomachs growled and mouths watered as the smell of homemade apple pies, made by the homemaking class, filled the 'B' floor halls. These pies were no longer baked only by girls.

"I took Homemaking because I know that I will not always have a woman to cook my meals and clean my clothes for me," said Scott Whitaker. Besides that, I do not want to have to be dependent on someone else for the rest of my life."

Homemaking classes studied and cooked all kinds of foods, but they concentrated on breakfast foods and soups. Students made Christmas dinner for the Future Homemakers of America banquet.

Child Development, also once considered a girl's class, is aimed at everyone because it stresses the importance of both the male and female role models — the parents.

It is now more important than ever for guys to know about child care because more mothers work and the job of raising the kids is split between the parents more evenly," John Kirkland said.

Shop classes have not been as quick to break tradition, though.

Plastics is still considered a class for guys because most girls do not like to get dirty or work with machines," Shanea Wilson, a member of Ron Daniels' class, said. "It is really not bad. When I ask how to do something, the guys end up doing the whole thing for me."

All these students have one thing in common; they are in classes that have traditionally been either for males or females. However, the adults in society have changed their views. Students and teachers have altered their attitudes to keep up with current trends and what some people consider future necessities.

*"Homemaking is no longer just for girls. In fact, there were more guys in my class than there were girls. And why not? Cooking and cleaning are part of life!"*

— Mitch Jones

Cutting squares for a checkerboard, Shanea Wilson operates a band saw with the help of Chris Lammner and Shane Davis. Shanea was the only girl in Ron Daniels' Plastics class. Photo by George Thixton

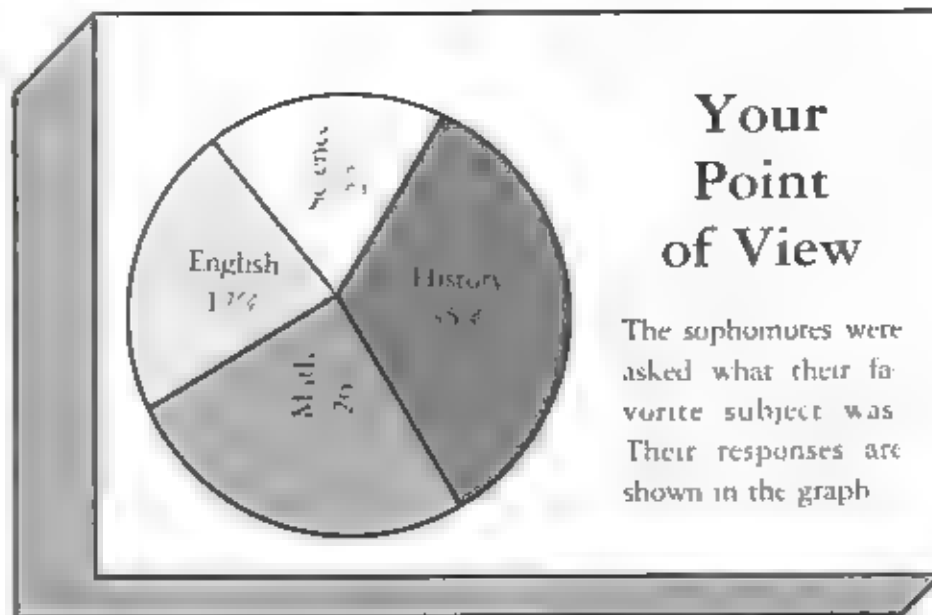






Ready for the final taste test, Jamie Coker, Evan Dewey, and Scott Whitaker wish up a serving of their stew. Boys make up over 5 percent of the enrollment of the class, but often are the height of us for girls. *Photo by John Hall*

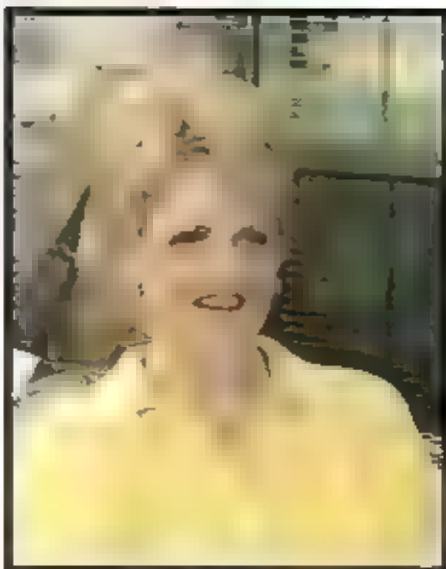
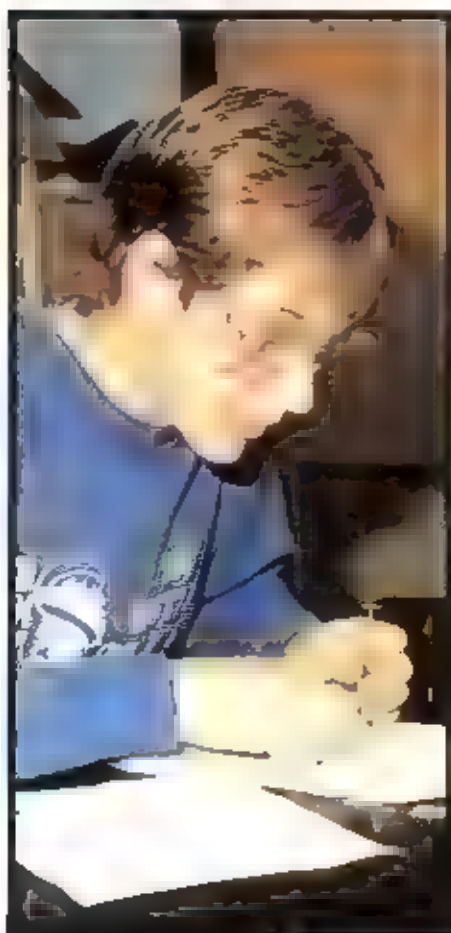
After chopping up onions and celery, Mitch Jones shoves them into the pot as two other boys in a stew. Homecoming students created the gourmet dish during Maggie Brasing and Susan White's 10th annual class. *Photo by John Hall*



With the meat already pre-weighed for the stew, Suzette Rose reads the last ingredient for the day's project in Homecoming class. Suzette was one of 60 girls and 50 boys enrolled in Homecoming. *Photo by John Hall*

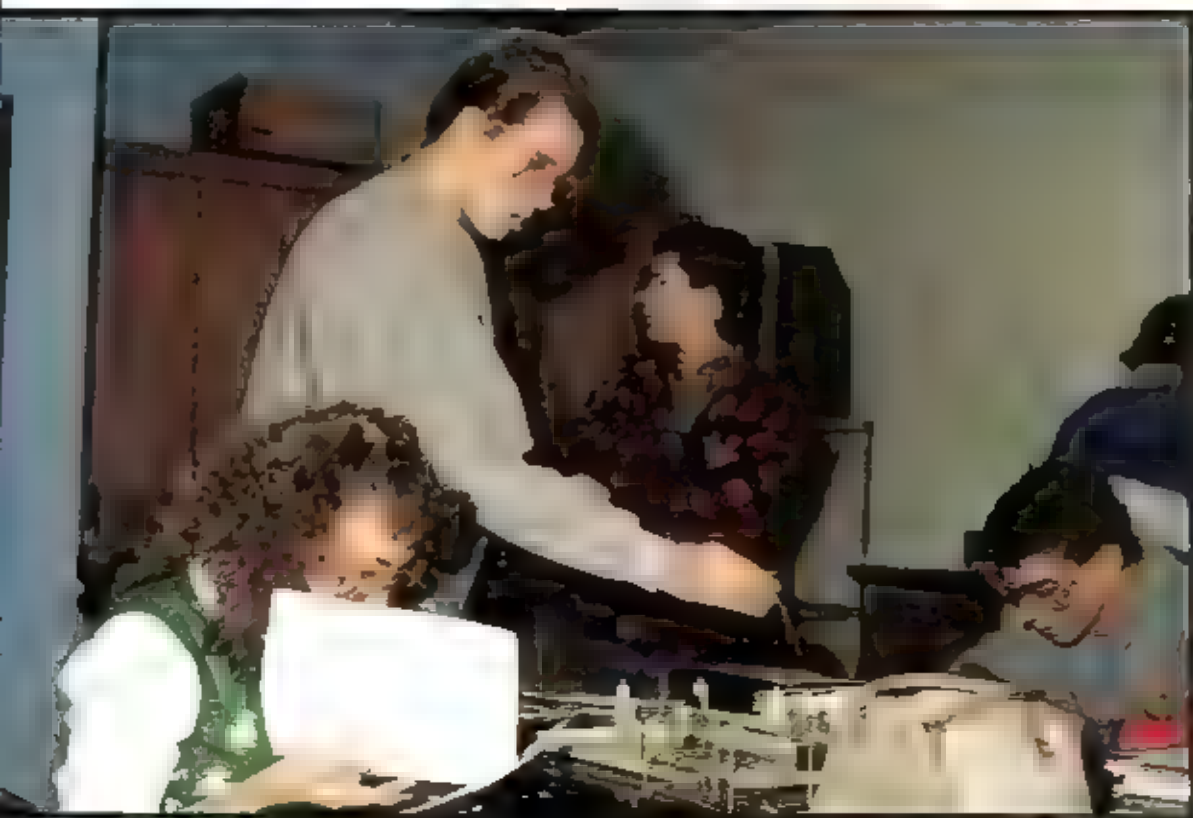


Looking over the procedures for the upcoming lab, Danny Chapman examines his worksheet. Glasses were worn to protect his eyes from the fumes coming from sodium hydroxide. Photo by John Woolard



At a social at Robert McCarty's, Patsy Spikes relaxes after a game of volleyball. The social was held for all of the teachers. Photo by Bob McCarty

Questions! Questions! Chemistry teacher Phyllis Grady assists Ronnie Syblik in measuring out 24 drops of  $MnO_4$ . Amounts of chemicals must be exact for the experiment to work. Photo by John Woolard

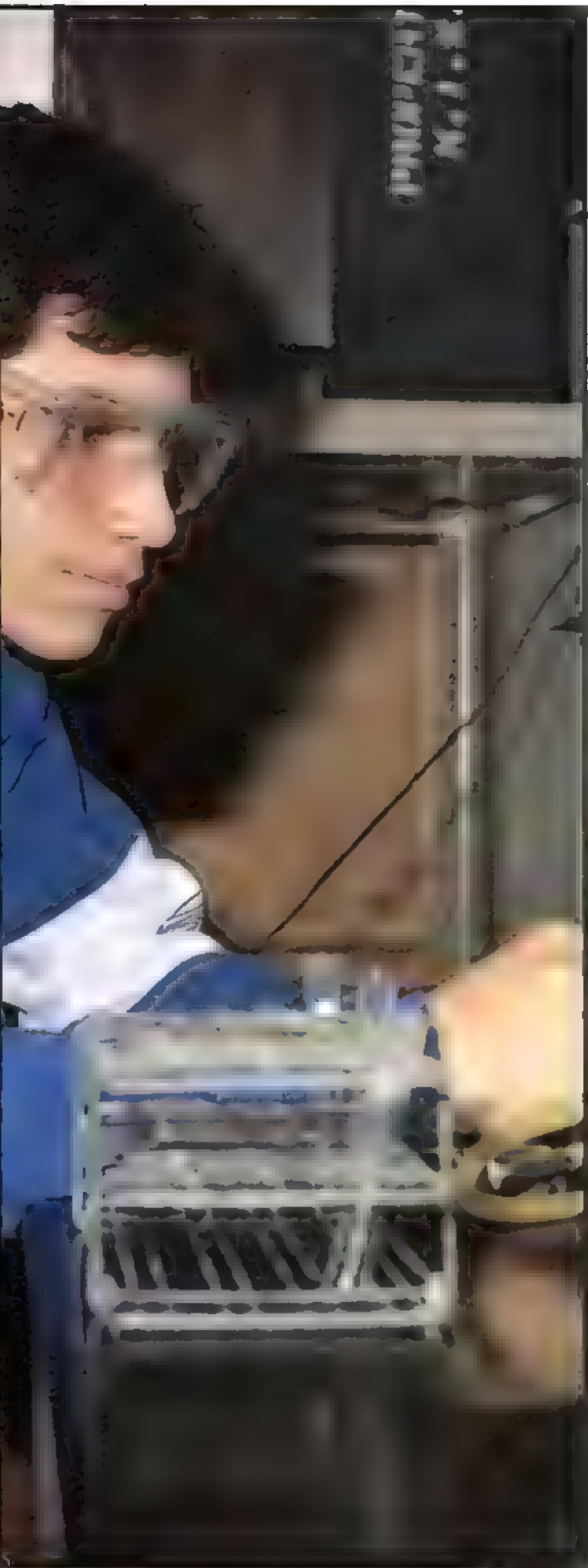


Assisting his group, Doan Witten "drops" a chemical in a test tube, while Cindy McInturff and Rusty Rodgers review the instructions for the flame test lab. Photo by John Woolard

Cleaning out a test tube with distilled water, Christina Williamson prepares it for the next class. This is just one of the many tasks that must be accomplished during a lab. Photo by John Woolard







# flames and tubes

**T**ension. Although laughter and low talking could be heard, students knew that a careless slip of the hand could mean ruining the experiment and possibly injuring themselves or someone else.

"I am careful about what I do when my class does a lab," Stephanie Nguyen said.

Stephanie is one of the students who took Chemistry. Most students take this course to get in their science credit. What they did not know is that hours of studying is involved, plus keeping up with the labs.

"I did not go into the class thinking that it was going to be easy, but I was not expecting it to be so hard," Regina Leonard said.

Students who take Chemistry usually have careers in mind involving some kind of problem solving. Labs help in other careers besides science, because they promote logical and analytical thinking as well as qualitative thought and interpretation.

"Problem solving is the key to chemistry — not just mathematical

problems, but it teaches how to think," Chemistry teacher Parsy Spikes said.

"Because I am going to be a paleontologist, chemistry labs such as the ones we do are important in training and preparing me for my career," Roz Rommel said.

Detailed workbooks with instructions on how to set up the labs come with the textbook. The book helps the teacher save time so she will be able to spend more time reviewing the chapter.

"Sometimes it takes me four days to set up the labs, not including running off the mimeographed worksheets. It just depends on what lab I want to do," Chemistry teacher Phyllis Grady said.

Groups of three work together to see hands on what the chapter is trying to teach them. Labs give the students an overall view of what chemical solutions will do in combination with other mixtures.

"Working as a group is fun, and better than working by yourself," said Steve Gerstung, "I really like those labs."

Adjusting a burner to a blue flame, Gabe Rodriguez heats up the water so that a white precipitate will form. The precipitate will tell you that a reaction has taken place.  
*Photo by John Woolard*



# A Date With A TEST

**S**weaty palms, two sharpened pencils, and a feeling of queasiness in an unfamiliar school where you do not know where the bathroom is must be a sign that some student is about to sit down and take the SAT or the ACT.

"I felt nervous, but I was confident in myself," Denise Ball said. Denise was one of the 418 students from the Mesquite area who took the SAT in 1987, compared to 280 in 1986, an increase of 50 percent.

Scoring an average 431 on the verbal and 467 on the math, MISD high school students taking the SAT scored 23 points above the Texas average of 875.

Similar to the SAT, the PSAT was given to students who wanted to get an overview of what the SAT would be like.

"The PSAT made me realize what my weak points were, and let me see what I needed to study," Yoli Lozano said.

The PSAT was given on Oct. 17 in the cafeteria. Counselor Sue Braden was in charge of issuing the test to over 200 students.

"I felt it was necessary to be there so I could further my education," said David Eddings. "Afterwards I went to Chili's to celebrate finishing the test and I am now one step closer to getting into college."

To be in the running for National Merit scholarships students must take the PSAT as a junior.

Stephen Crabtree was named a Semifinalist and remains in competition for a scholarship.

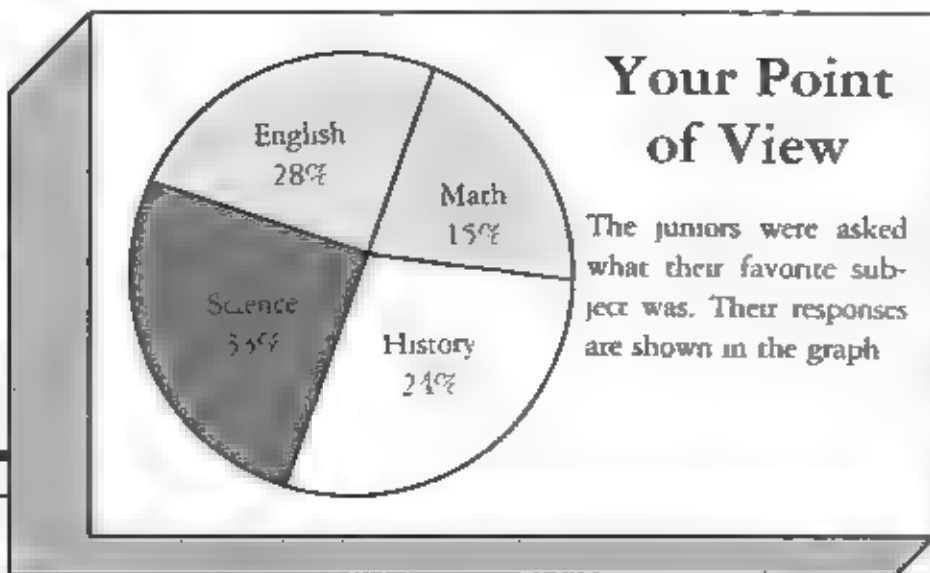
ACT is a more achievement based test. Evaluating math, science, history, and English usage. Most colleges accept either test for entrance.

The results of either test are important factors in determining the college a student will attend. With the future to consider, sweaty palms and a little nervousness was only natural as a student sat down to take the test. Michelle Chapman said, "The SAT was very important. It will give me a chance to compete for scholarships and in effect will help shape the rest of my life."

*"The SAT was a good way to prepare myself for college. It helped me learn to study for the difficult tests that I will have in the future. It gave me the self-confidence I need for entering a college."*

— Marlene Waters

Discussing possible questions that may appear on the test, Counselor Bill Scott gives the students some pointers. Denise Ball, Gary Collins, Rhonda Smith, and Wade Hollingsworth tune in to pick up some information. Photo by John Westland







College bound seniors John Kinsland and Marlene Waters check the SAT calendar to find out what the next date is for taking the dreaded test. Seniors had seven chances before they graduated. *Photo by Kyle Herron*



While they are amused at the sample SAT booklet, Norton Diaz and Claire Austin will take a more serious approach when they take the four hour exam that determines college entrance. Records show that 67 percent of high school students attend college. *Photo by Kyle Herron*



Reviewing the cliff notes handbook, Rachel Dangle looks over the material. National Merit scholarships are earned from scores on the PSAT. *Photo by John Womard*



Typing carefully, Cynthia Gonzalez hopes to make a near perfect paper. Students in Jane Warr's typing class were graded on a scale of 1 to 5, five being the best. *Photo by George Thixton.*

Ready for the before-school practice, Karla Goss concentrates on her music. As first chair trombone, she played solos in such pieces as "Slava" and "Galliard Sonata #2." *Photo by George Thixton.*

Used for making round-stock, this lathe was used by 'O' period metal shop students. These students also worked foundry producing anvils. *Photo by George Thixton.*



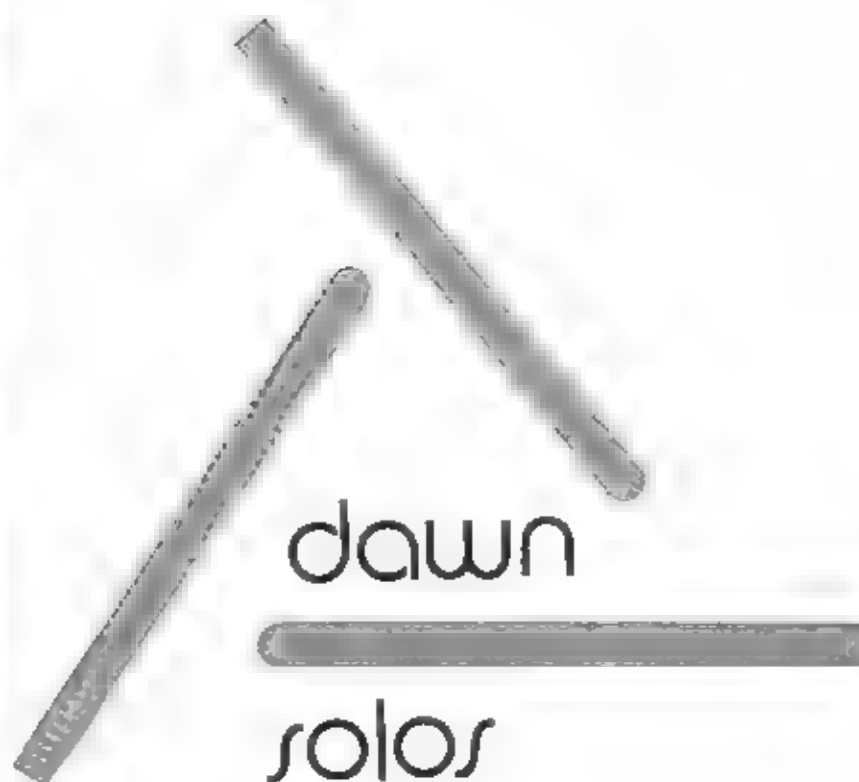
Warming up for the daily 7-50 practice, Amy Burgess and John Hogard work on a UIL piece called "Sketches on a Tudor Psalm." They were first and second chair oboe players. *Photo by George Thixton.*



From working hard in band all through high school, Glenn Bright has earned seven medals at UIL. Glenn led the three bar-irones as the first chair player. *Photo by George Thixton.*







**L**ong, dark, and hollow — the halls echoed with the footsteps of Cindy, an "O" period student. It was 7:15. She was only fifteen minutes early for "O" period, but it made a big difference. By 7:30, when "O" period started, there were about 250 students in class.

"I took Vocational Word Processing as an "O" period because I wanted the extra grade points, and I needed a computer class," Cindy Kilpatrick said.

Most of the student body was still at home snoozing but the "O" period students decided to take advantage of the situation and developed close bonds between each other.

"It's like any other group that practices or endures things together; we are definitely closer," said

Chris Hoffman, a student in Judy Linker's "O" period Trigonometry and Analytical Geometry class.

Some students found teachers more lenient about tardiness that early in the morning. Thomas Chacko, as an example, came into Judy Linker's Trigonometry class at least five minutes late every morning.

"If I'm late all I can do is hope that Mrs. Locke is not sitting there at her desk just waiting to see who is late," Heather Montgomery said.

As the sun rises, "O" period goes on. Students who do not have an "O" period gradually arrive about 8:00. The dark, hollowness slowly fades and "O" period students blend into the rest of the student body as 1st period begins at 8:30.

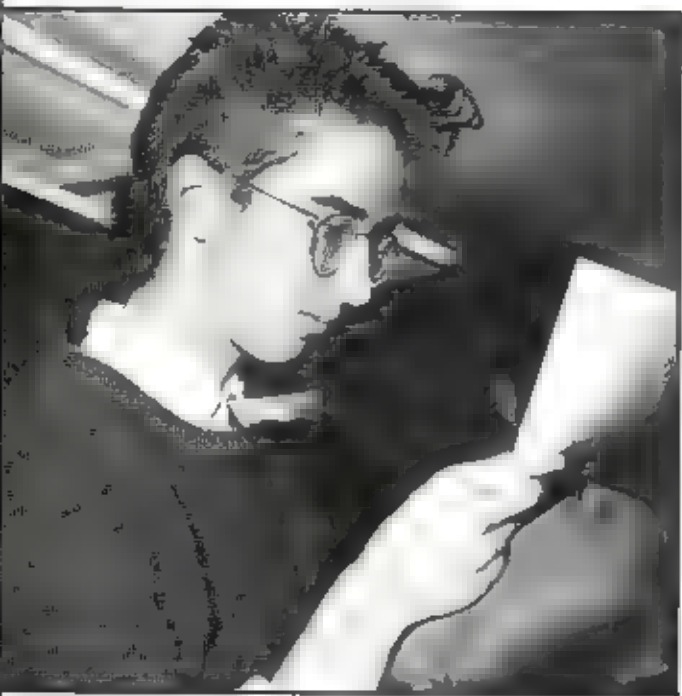


Almost through with the unit, Wayne Hamilton hopes to leave "O" period a little bit early. In Jane Watt's typing class, students were expected to finish five units each six weeks.



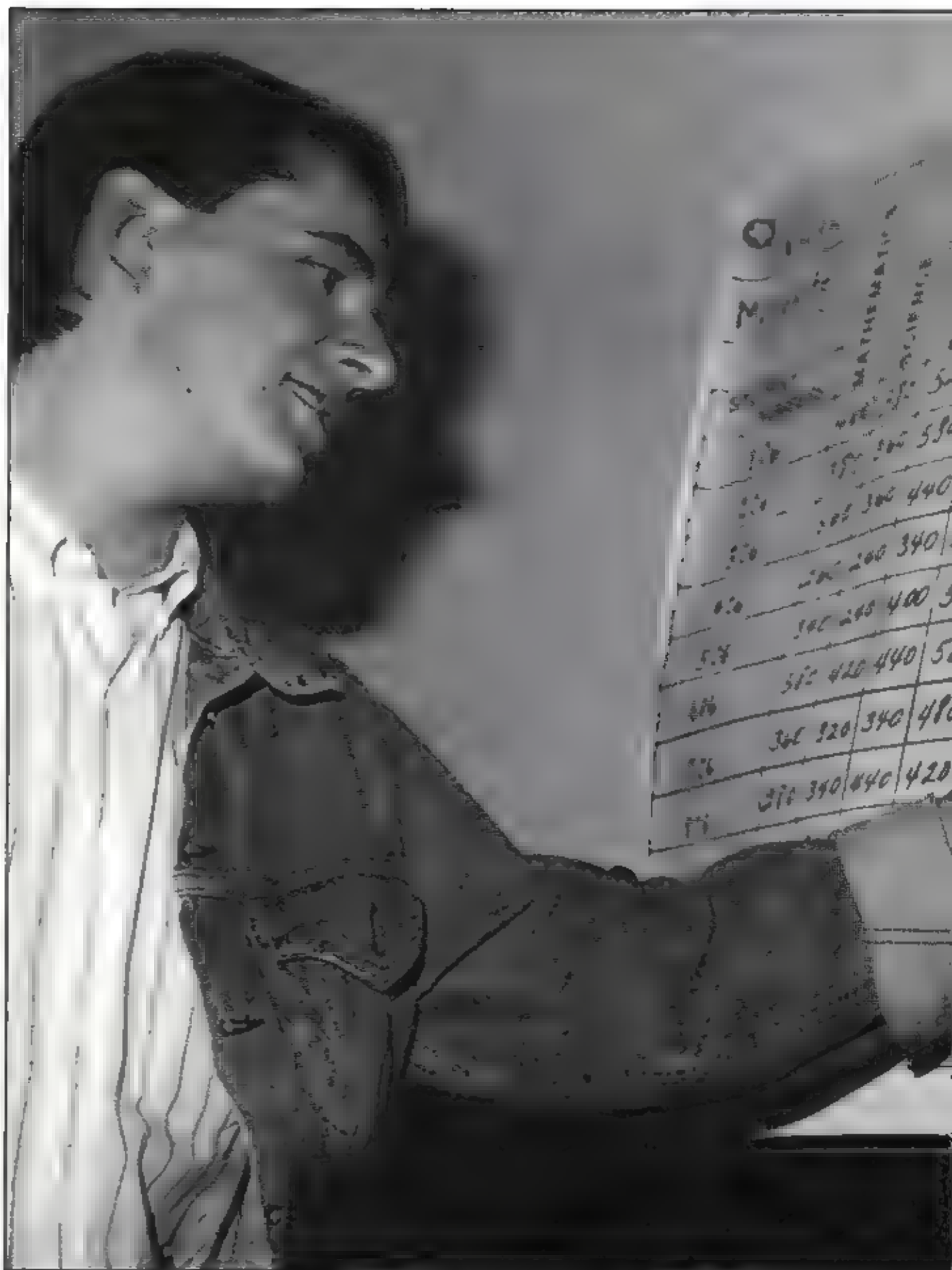
Checking the N M. scores one final time, Layne Trusper points out his interview score. Layne was the only N M. member to answer all four of his questions correctly in the Superquiz. Photo by Kyle Herron

Enjoying their day at the Flight Museum at the University of Texas at Dallas, Cindy Kilpatrick and Beth Ardanowski look at a display of flight journals. Photo by Karen Allen



Gathering his thoughts, Michael Ennis looks over the topic of the impromptu speech one final time. Each Academic Decathlon meeting began and ended with a 2 minute impromptu speech from one of the team members. Photo by Kyle Herron

**Academic Decathlon** — Front row: Alex Martin, Micheal Ennis, Layne Trusper, Matt Wolfgang, and John Renner. 2nd row: Roger Frith (coach), Shan Kirk, Clara Austin, Beth Patrick, Cindy Kilpatrick, Karen Allen (coach)





GRAMMAR	FINES	ARTS	ESSAY	INTERVIEW	SCORE
500	675	786	66		
440	675	725	430		
300	425	565	570		
300	550	603	740		
380	550	898	860		
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		660	56		
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# New HIGHS

"Overall, this team was better because we were solid instead of some talented people and some just along for the ride."

— Layne Trosper

Several points here . . . some there . . . Academic Decathlon had several scores that were only points away from a bronze medal.

"We all wanted to medal in at least one area so it was disappointing not to place. We were so close and yet so far away from the top three," Matt Wolfgang said.

Placing 12th in the overall competition held at Plano East High School, the Aca Deca team did better than they have ever done before. In the Superquiz, the team earned 6th place on the same day, January 30.

"During the Superquiz I was ecstatic when they got answers correct. When they got them wrong and I knew we had discussed the material during practice, I was sick!" coach Karen Allen said.

Preparing for the January 30th competition required after school meetings on Mondays and Thursdays, often until 6:00 p.m. On December 8 the team took a day off from school to tour the flight Museum at the University of Texas

at Dallas and the Meadows Museum of Art on the SMU campus.

I was especially interested by the material in the flight museum because someday I want to be a pilot," Clara Austin said.

Dedication is not only needed by the team members but also by the team coaches.

Coaching Aca Deca has been one of the most satisfying activities of my career. We are in the business of academics and shaping young people through discipline and care," said coach Roger Frith. "I see everything we are trying to achieve distilled into this single competition."

In appreciation for their hard work and dedication, all nine Academic Decathlon members received school letter jackets. Recognition is slowly coming to Academic Decathlon.


"Aca Deca was fun, but many people don't even know what it is! It needs more publicity and a lot more support!" Cindy Kilpatrick said.

Tense about the upcoming competition, John Renner, Matt Wolfgang, and Alex Martin eye their competitors they were facing. In the all-around score, the Aca Deca team placed twelfth. Photo by Karen Allen.



Beck Patrick and Clara Austin review questions during an Aca Deca meeting. Meetings were spiced up with guest speakers such as Dr. John Kelly and Art teacher Cathy Bradley. Photo by Kyle Herron.





## honoring the King's English

**C**hallenging homework, double grade points and learning how to pace and organize oneself comes with taking an honors class.

"Taking an honors class means more stress and anxiety, but one must learn to organize his time in order to do the homework and projects that are assigned," Quang Nguyen said.

Homework in honors classes is considerably different, and takes up a lot of your time. "Sophomore Honors English teacher Gay Benner and Honors History teacher Bob McCarty really pile on the work," said Ryan Page. "It's like they think that it is your only class." Honors classes rise above basic recall and comprehension to analysis, synthesis, and application of the material.

"You do more analytical things and a lot more abstract work," said Christue Sparrow. "The compositions are also more in-depth."

Homework consists of outside projects, oral reports and presentations. Many of the students enjoy the projects and some even have a favorite.

"I like the extra projects because they provide a chance to have a more complete study of the smaller aspects that I find particularly interesting about a given subject," John Hoggaid said.

"The income tax returns that I did were my favorite," said Kari Jackson. "It gave me a chance to help others and learn more about the process."

Some of the students in the honors program at North Mesquite feel that academics is a high priority among high school students.

"Academics is my top priority in life at this point because I realize that success in life depends heavily upon a person's performance in school," said Aaron Workman. "Without academic work I would never be able to excel in anything that I did."

Twenty-seven honors classes are offered at NM. Among them are Debate 2, Advanced Reading, Analytic Geometry and Accounting 2.

Students take courses that will help educate them in a career that they have chosen to pursue. Tonya Youngman is one of the students who is taking classes that will help her with her goals. She is taking Accounting 2, and wants to be an accountant or a bookkeeper.

"I started to educate myself in high school for the career I chose, so that when I graduate I will be able to get a job working in accounting and go to school at the same time," Tonya said.

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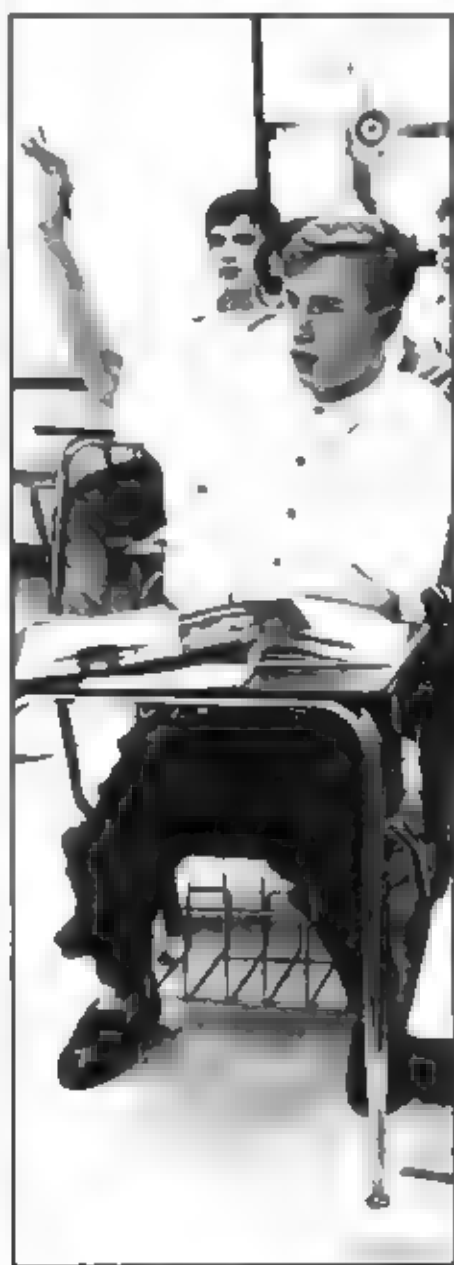
Quietly reviewing her library book, Shirley Cherran takes a few notes. Research papers required 40-50 notecards in honors English classes. *Photo by Kyle Heron*



With his calculator handy, John Dakon begins an assignment in Trig. Calculators were an essential tool in Vicki Glenn's class. Photo by Kyle Herron



Waiting on the homework to be passed up, Vicki Glenn organizes her thoughts about the way she is going to teach the new material about the cone. Photo by Kyle Herron



Ryan Page raises his hand with an answer to one of Gay Bennett's questions in honors English class. The big project for Sophomore honors was the reading and analyzing of Shakespeare's *Julius Caesar*. Photo by Kyle Herron



Checking his answers to his Analytic Geometry test, Joseph Monsay works the problems again to make sure he has the correct answer. The test given by Vicki Glenn was over relations between rectangular and polar coordinates. Photo by Kyle Herron



Going over the day's lesson plans with her honors Spanish 3 and 4 class, Gloria Benavides prepares them for their homework assignment. Her class load was only twenty-one students, allowing for more individual help. Photo by Kyle Herron





# Into the SPIRIT

## Out of the ROUTINE

**STUDENT LIFE.** With Texas participating in Super Tuesday on March 8, eligible students voted, and had their voices counted for the first time. Vice President George Bush became the front-runner on the Republican side in the south, with Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis leading a tight race in the Democratic Party, out ahead of the Reverend Jesse Jackson.

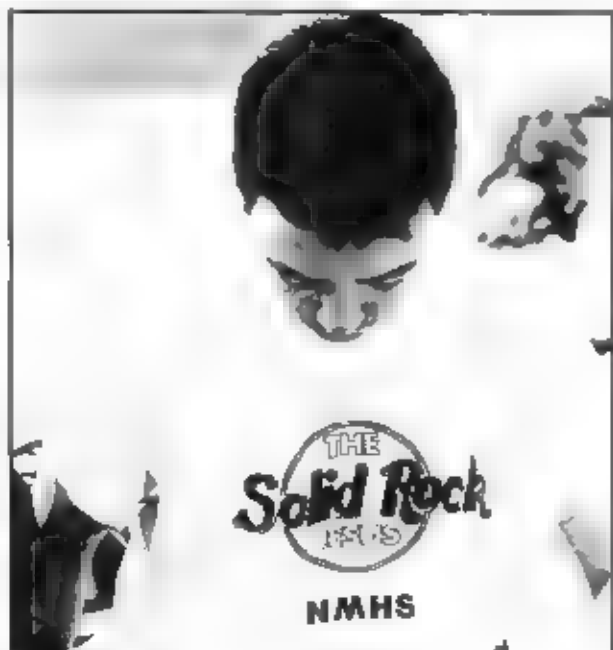
Students voted, went to South Padre March 14-18, on spring break and Seniors looked forward to a new beginning that would begin with graduation on June 4. Our weekends were filled with movies, dates, and sporting events. We cheered our football team to the regional finals and the girl's basketball team to a state runner-up title. Seniors celebrated graduation chemical free at Last Date Seniors '88, an all night party at the Racquetball Club. Tickets sold for \$12.50 each, where food, games, and the facilities were included.

We tried out, went out, and enjoyed what we could of the real world that was waiting for us.

During mock tryouts Chris Heberling, Richard Allen, and Shannon Harpold pin their numbers on and wait for their chance to become a spirit leader for NM. Tryouts were held on February 26.

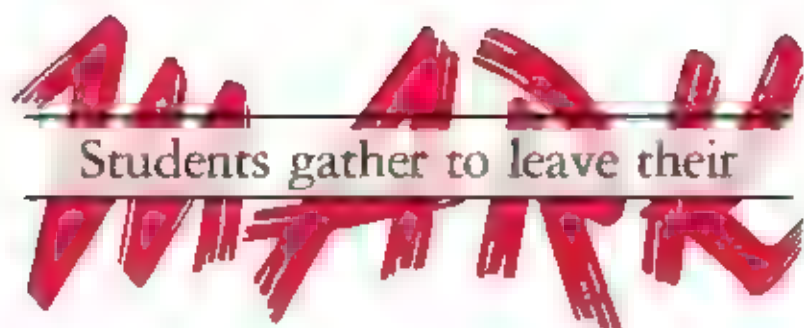
"The prayer group is an official school organization. This allows us to make more of an impact on the student body and spirit within the school."

— Tony Gonzalez, 11th



In several languages, Mrs. Joan Timmins and Ting Sun hang posters in the Reading Classes to support the Stallion football team. Cheerleaders held the poster contest to raise school spirit.





Students gather to leave their

*Thirteen hundred students showed up to claim their copy of the Trailblazer.*

Clutching their receipts in their hands, students slowly trickled into the school cafeteria. The graduated seniors were the first to arrive back to their Alma Mater.

"You can be with all your friends and you get to see the graduated seniors for one last time," said Kevin Easley. "The Yearbook Signing Party lets us have time to write

lier that the party was the first day of school." There was still a large turnout and a crowded cafeteria.

Books that were purchased last year cost \$17. Extra yearbooks were sold for \$27 at the party for students who didn't get a chance to buy one.

The jukebox music was played with "country", "rap", "oldies", and "current hits" selections.

"The music was great because it gave some entertainment," Tammy Armstrong said.

"I thought the staff chose a good variety of music," Frank Damommio said.

Soft drinks were sold for a quarter. Eight canisters of Coke, Mr. Pibb, Sprite and Diet Coke were emptied by 9:00 pm.

"I liked the 25¢ Cokes the most," said Mark VanVessem, "and running out of quarters was the worst part."

"The only way I think the party could be improved is if the yearbook staff tells everyone to bring his own pen so people won't ask if they can borrow someone else's," Brenda Cook said.

"Being on crutches the first day of school and during the Yearbook Signing Party was terrible," said Christy Ledford. "My friends had to come to me to sign their books because I couldn't move through the crowd. I think the Yearbook Signing Party is important to have."

"Getting to see my friends for the very last time is the best thing about the Yearbook Signing Party," said Karen Gordon. "Graduated seniors and friends who aren't in my classes I miss the most."

down what we feel about people. It will hold many memories down the road."

"I liked getting to see all the people that were in my classes last year. I didn't like being squished though," Stacy Beets said.

Held on the first day of school, September 1, the Yearbook Signing Party lasted three hours from 6:00-9:00 pm, with a total of 1,250 books passed out.

Although one student, Carl Cuff said, "Notice should have been given ear-

*Serving the cokes, Jennifer Martin and Michelle Todev fill a cup for Susan Browning. Cokes were sold at the Yearbook Signing Party for 25¢. Photo by John Woolard.*



*Concentrating on signing a 1987 Trailblazer, Michelle Boyd finds a spot on the picture table. Black and white pictures were sold for 50¢, color sold for \$1. Photo by George Thorton.*



*Finding one of the rare places  
away from the road Brian Nix  
signs Janet Bate's yearbook at the  
Yearbook Signing Party 7:30 p.m. on  
September 1. A total of 50 year-  
books were passed out. Photo by John  
Woodard*



*Listening to a story of summer hap-  
pyness, Janne Huns sign a friend's  
yearbook at the Yearbook signing  
party on September 1. From 7:30 p.m.  
students signed books on the first day  
of school. Photo by John Woodard*



*Writing in the last available  
space in the end of the Tran-  
sformer Ted's Longtin and Christa  
Crum take advantage of the last  
two hours available for the Yearbook  
Signing Party September 1. Photo by  
John Woodard*

*Laughing over what someone  
wrote in her yearbook Melanie  
Woodard tells Jason Brink about the  
comment. Even faculty members  
helped pass out books and were  
treated to free soft drink. Photo by  
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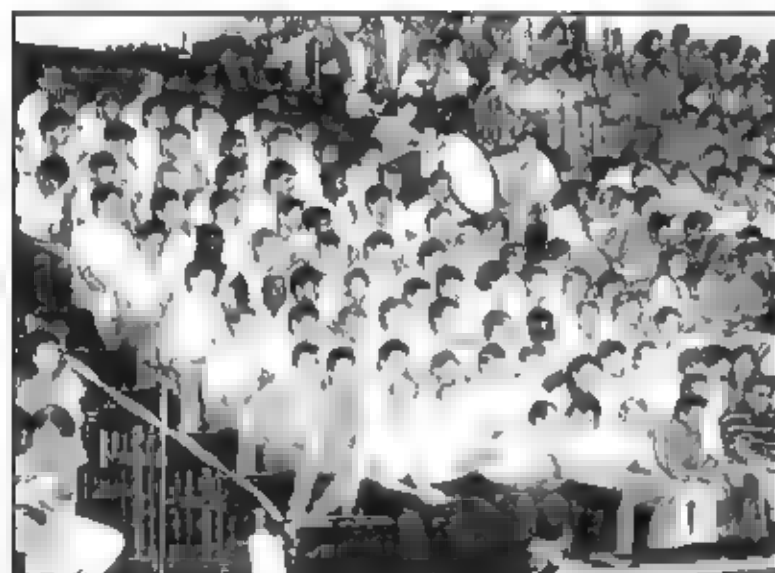




## Reaching to the top for

*School stands behind Stallions at rally as applause and cheers fill the gym*

Applause rocked the stands in the gym one fall afternoon. Horns mixed with the boom of drums filled the air as cheerleaders bounced across the floor coaxing the crowd into hysteria. Suddenly, a blue-furred mascot raced onto the gym floor, and the only in-school pep rally of the year began.



*Seated in their traditional spot in the stands, the football team soaks up the spirit at the Samuel pep rally. Varsity went on that night to defeat the Spartans 26-0. Photo by Ron Taylor*

Prohibitive school legislation allowed only one such assembly, but most students felt the football team needed greater support and made an effort to attend pre-game rallies held just before kick-off.

"Pep rallies add excitement to a school day or pre-game time," said Rhonda Smith. "They get everyone spirited and make sure they support the school."

"Pep rallies are fun and exciting and something for

everyone to do," said Christy Abernathy.

"They are a fun way to get the whole school involved in school competition and football games," said Laurie Maddox. "It makes people very excited about the game."

On the whole, the students enjoyed the in-school rally and considered it necessary.

"I went to the rally because I love this school and want everyone to know it," said Brenda Cook. "The football team needs us to support them. They get the team ready to do their best, and the fans ready to cheer them on."

According to the students, a pep rally is an expected part of the year. "I like attending the rallies simply because it is a school event and should be during school," Joe Valdez said. "They allow the student body to hear what the band works on. This causes an appreciation of music to develop among normally artistically depressed students."

Students enjoyed the pep rally for many reasons. "I love sitting with my friends in the stands and cheering on North Mesquite," Keith Lawrence said.

"I like it when the drummers have a solo, and the people in the stands get up and dance," Denise Ball said.

"I enjoy it when the crowd gets to join in on the cheers," Trish Chanly said.

As a result of having few rallies, some of the students had a difficult time getting into the mood.

"Half of the people are peppy, but the others are waiting to go home," Lisa Rodriguez said.

Fans felt the lack of in-school rallies, and the football team missed them, too.

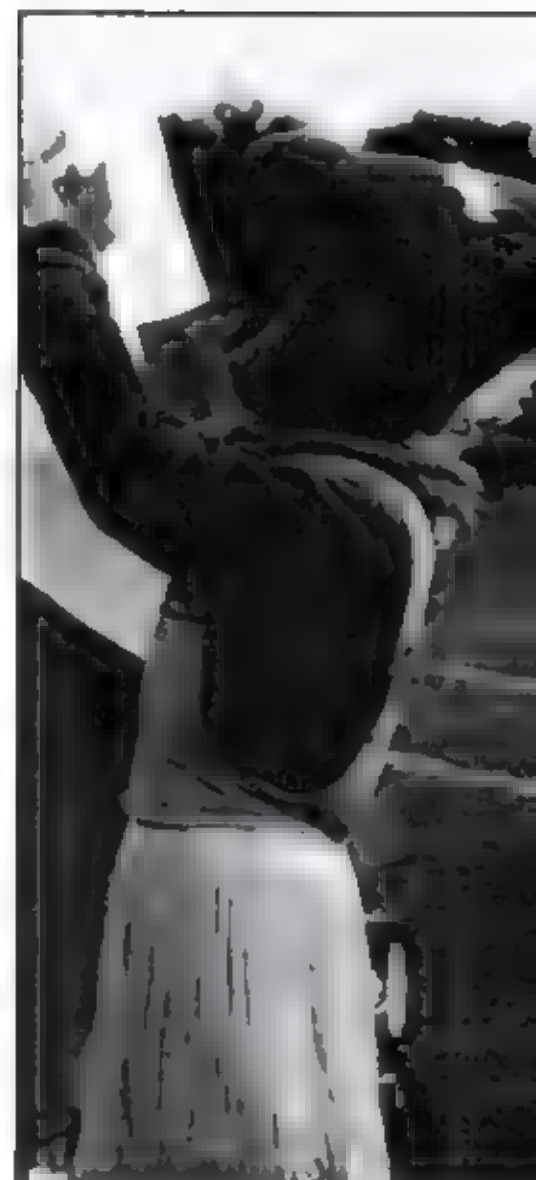
"High school football without pep rallies is like little league," Mark Jones said. "We need to know how much everyone cares, and the best way to do that is through pep rallies."

*Wrapping up their pep rally routine to "Slade," flag corps members Heather Hamlich and Michelle Mayes swing their flags in perfect time. Flag corps received a superior rating at UIL contests held at Memorial Stadium. Photo by Ron Taylor*





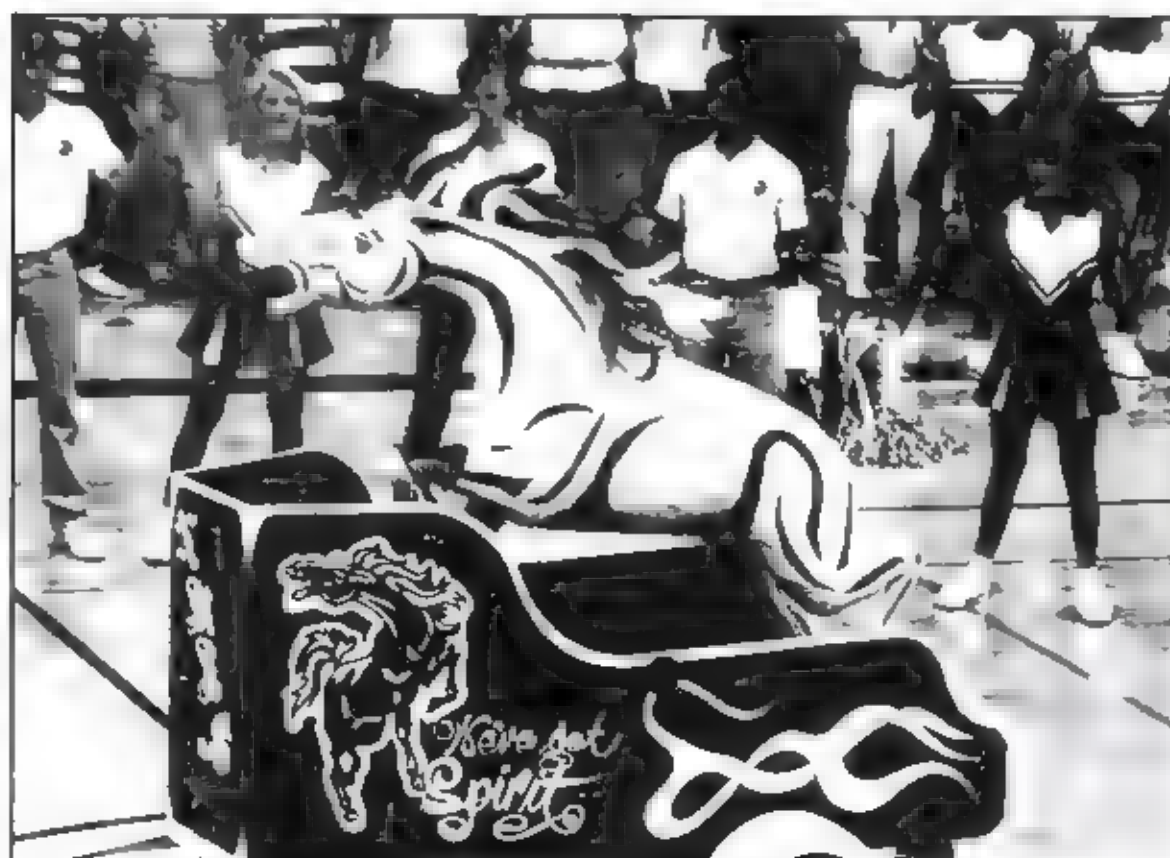
Teaming up and standing tall, member of the Station Battalion Cheerleaders and the mascot work together to raise the roof at the Sam Houston pep rally. Station Battalion members numbered 27, the largest in North Mesquite history. Photo by Ron Taylor.



Wearing Hawaiian lei and grass skirt, Mascot Erik Van Meter runs up the crowd at the Berkner game. Erik was the 3rd since the live mascot tradition began in 1985. Photo by John Woolard.



Standing ready in the officer's line, Lieutenant Wendy Burkhardt waits her musical cue. Sixty cheerleaders, four lieutenants, and Captain Alana Rattan made up the group of girls that performed for the audience at the Sam Houston pep rally. Photo by Ron Taylor.



Gathered around Spirit, Lisa Herriage, Dany Le, Mark Foster, and Charla Gervers sing the fight song. Spirit was raced across the endzone after every Station score. Photo by John Woolard.





Roll up your sleeves, and have

*A new Queen, and a victory continued the Homecoming tradition.*

Bells jingled in the halls, and balloons floated down them on October 2. As Homecoming got underway, ex-students returned to reminisce and present students dressed up and prepared for the day and night ahead.

For a select group of girls, Homecoming is more than just another football game



*During the halftime performance, percussion member Tina Cao stands ready. The Big Blue had over 100 members and won consecutive Superior UIL awards the past two years. Photo by Ron Taylor*

The Homecoming court included Amy Dickey, Kristin Salas, Lee Ann Henrie, Misti Goodman, and Alana Rattan.

"I felt honored to be selected. It was a no lose situation because the girls selected for the court were such fine examples of the school," said Lee Ann Henrie. "I looked up and there were ten million people up there."

Kristin Salas said, "I was very nervous about going on

the field. I was also very surprised about being selected. It's always something you expect someone else to get. It was exciting and is something that will always be special and will make my senior year memorable."

Representing the football team was their sweetheart, Marlene Waters. Erin Martin was crowned Stallion Battalion Sweetheart, while Kim Rowe was named the Band Sweetheart.

In the pre-game rally, after all eight girls were escorted onto the field, the name five girls were waiting for was announced. Alison Owens crowned Amy Dickey the '87 Homecoming Queen. After the ceremonies, the game got underway as the Stallions kicked off to the Greenville Lions.

Going into the game, the Stallions held an undefeated record. A blocked punt recovered by John Kirkland, a 51 yard field goal by Chuck Rawlinson, a 40 yard pass from Robby Vaughn to Jeff Stone all led to NM scores and their final victory over Greenville, 45-14.

Gathering at the fieldhouse after the game, students made plans for the rest of the night. Curfews were extended as students went out to eat, bowling, or maybe to a movie.

Page Burkhalter said, "It's a special time of the year that makes everyone appreciate their school."

Holly Casey said, "Homecoming seems to bring everyone together and gives everyone a chance to have fun."

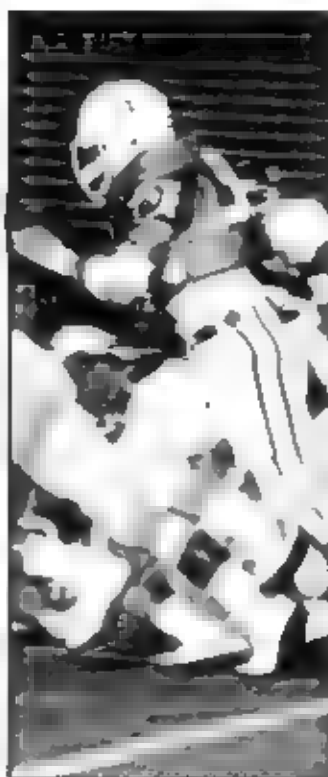
*Before the game begins, Jason Ganze, Bobby Cane, and Marco Mauricio help the mascot, Eric Van Meter, get ready for the night ahead. The Stallion Battalion and the mascot were part of the spirit team at NM and assisted the cheerleaders in encouraging spirit at the games and pep rallies. Photo by John Woolard*





*Fullback Johnny Moody plows through the Genevaville offensive line in an effort to give the Stallions some extra yardage. The final score of the homecoming game was 43-14 in favor of the Stallions. Photo by Ron Taylor*

*Prior to the game, J V cheerleaders Amy Moffett, Annie Bruce, Holly Lawrence, Kathy Sumner, Susie Cooke, and Melissa Hall get ready for the pregame rally by hanging up signs, organizing formations, and practicing cheers. Photo by Ron Taylor*



*Band Sweetheart: Kim Raur. Homecoming nominees: Kristin Sales, Alana Rattan, Amy Dickey (Queen), Lex Ann Henrie, and Miss Goodman. Football Sweetheart, Marlene Waters. Stallion Battalion Sweethearts: Erin Mattingly. Photo by Ron Taylor*

*Mums being a part of homecoming. Julie Burns finishes up class work and keeps bells quiet and ribbons from tangling at the same time. Photo by John R. Holt*



# OWT

## DISHING IT

### Principals Deal Out Punishment to Offenders

Chewing gum, skipping class, talking back, and, the ultimate, walking on the balcony during lunch; all of these forbidden sins end in a common result of detentions or swats.

For many students, detentions are an inconvenience and a valid discipline. "They truly punish the student for doing something wrong,"



Taking advantage of the time, Tricia Chaney catches up on homework as Assistant Principal Brent Thorne looks on. Thorne supervised the students in detention, numbering 8-12 each day. *Photo by John Wallard*

Jason Smen said.

"I think detentions are really thoughtless and bothersome, but they're supposed to be like that," said Jason Ganze. "You're not supposed to enjoy it."

"They are a good punishment for people who have getting up early or staying after school," Christy Veach said.

In some cases, however, students felt that detentions do not really punish a person at all.

"It never seems to solve anything," said Charla Gervers. "The violators continue to break the rules because they are used to the extra thirty minutes."

"Nobody learns anything from them," said Julie Fox. "It doesn't stop people from doing things wrong because they know all they'll have to do is serve a few detentions."

"The ones who are in there every day just don't care," Kerry Davis said.

Yet when asked which form of punishment they prefer, most students chose detentions.

"I'd rather spend my time in detention hall than getting swats or something else," Jennifer Montgomery said.

Of course, there are always exceptions. "I always choose swats," Jason Andrews said.

Despite the negative feelings toward detention hall, it is an opportunity to catch up on homework or write notes to friends, but students find other ways to occupy their time as well.

"I stare into space," Jessica Roberts said.

"Counting holes in the wall is fun," Lon Chearwood said.

"I sleep," Matthew Hammar said.

"I think I looked through a stereo magazine," Brandon Dry said.

Some people have a more original approach. "One time when the sun was shining in the room I took my watch and reflected the sunlight into Mr. Duke's face. He didn't care for that," said David Moore. "More detentions."

However students spent their time, detentions gave the offender "... time to think about what they did wrong," Chris Johnson said, and maybe think twice about doing it again.

Searching for a reasonable excuse, Matt Peire tells Assistant Principal Brent Thorne why he was late to class. Thorne was in charge of dealing with the sophomore class. *Photo by George Thixton*

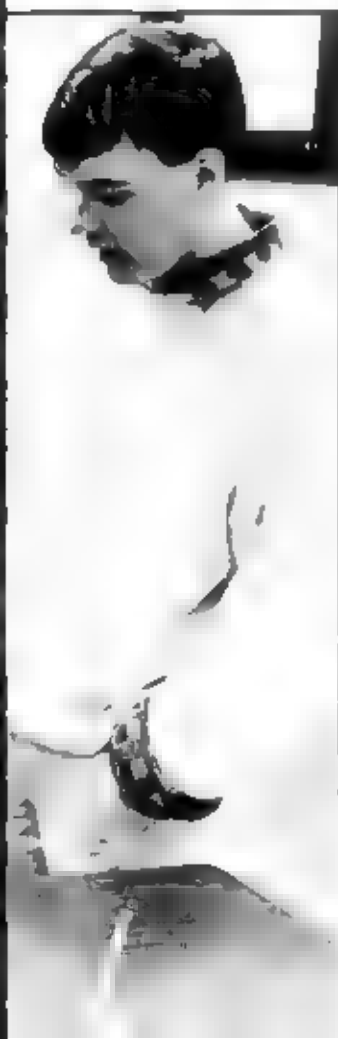




Going over the 'black list.' Assistant Principal Gary Fortenberry, Melissa Kay, and Jose Owen note the ones who skipped detention hall. Fortenberry was in charge of the 6:45 detentions, the only ones seniors could attend. Photo by John Windard.



Signing the infamous blue slip, Gary Fortenberry sends a student back to class. At least 60 of these passes were signed by Fortenberry every day. Photo by George Thixton.



Receiving the executive judgment, Jackie Cross hears from Assistant Principal Don Duke. Duke ran the 3:30-4:00 pm detention sessions. Photo by George Thixton.



## Spirit: An all Time

*Participation and enthusiasm helped make spirit days and the season.*

Plaid colored pants, buttoned up red and purple shirt, big yellow tie and glasses with a band-aid wrapped around the nose-piece were spotted in every hall on "Show Those Nerds" day for the spirit theme when the Stallions played Highland Park.

"Spirit Days really



*As part of Shooter spirit week, Marcus Gray captures a marmoset in front of Tysha Renfro's "horse drawn decorated door." Photo by Kyle Harrow.*

'revved up' the football team to get them in better moods for the game," said Tiffany Sterling. "They are fun for the students also."

Spirit was an all time high as agreed by many students, teachers, administrators and people of the community.

The overall season spirit was excellent! We are a lot of people who went all out on spirit days and really raised the school spirit," Carrie

Carroll said.

Cheerleaders and their sponsor, Linda Muhl, determined the weekly themes for the Friday night games.

"My favorite Spirit Day was 'Blackout Those Raiders'," said Christie Sparrow. "Everybody looked like they were dressed for a funeral, even the Mascot wore black."

"I think you either have school spirit or you don't. The really spirited people support North Mesquite from the beginning all the way to the end — no matter what, win or lose!", said Casey Haeussler. "I think that the sophomores had the most school spirit."

"This school has so much spirit, I'm not sure how to describe it," Trish Chaney said.

Spirit Days ranged from dressing up in your best and wearing your house shoes, to showing your true colors and wearing Hawaiian clothes.

"My favorite Spirit Day was sweats because I didn't have to iron any clothes," Pete Vasquez said.

One of the most spirit-filled weeks was against Mesquite. The community got into the spirit by helping tie blue ribbons around poles, trees, bushes and about everything else, on the north side of town.

"I think just about the whole school was enthusiastic about playing Mesquite since they were doing well this year, and they were our crosstown rivals," Jason Banks said.

Kelly Lawrence said, "Overall I think Spirit Days are important because it gives our football team that extra initiative and backup in knowing that their school is behind them 100 percent. The balloon spirit contest was fabulous because we got to the game with all those balloons."

*Working a chemistry experiment, David Eddings "Outshines the Cou boys" on shades day. The Stallions beat Carter 9-7 in the area game. Photo by John Woulard.*



*Beached at the lunch table, N M spirit boosters dress in Hawaiian clothes to help create the atmosphere for the game against the Berkner Rams. Thirteen weeks of spirit brought the Stallions to the area playoffs. Photo by John Holt.*

*In a flashback to the fifties, Stephanie Erwin and Michelle Borus wear poodle skirts, white shirts, and hairbows to show their spirit. The Stallions beat the Colonels 55-12. Photo by John Holt.*





*Dunking a Skeeter Kevin Smith  
only a headie can try through the  
goal on the outside court Round  
up day and the Skeeters run down  
the Skeeters 63-4 Photo by John  
Holt*



*There is no chance Charia Gervers  
will sink since she is wearing her  
beach inner tube on Beach day  
Charia was one of the varsity cheer-  
leaders directing spirit day each  
week Photo by John Holt*



# OWN

## Students: A look of their

From sweats and sneakers to mini skirts and heels students show individualism

Distracting the class by strolling into his classroom with his powerlifting T-shirt, NMHS sweats and boat shoes with no socks, Jay Starnes turned heads.

"I don't care what others say," Jay Starnes added in his defense, "sometimes I just don't feel like getting all dressed up to go to school."



A long trench coat and the "wet look" in hair are popular styles. Corey Clark wears both as he goes to his 5th period class. Photo by George Thixton.

Whether it is warm-up bottoms or leather mini skirts, short term fashions or "fads" as they are known to most people, are here to stay.

"I do follow the fads. I wouldn't want people to think I was out of style," said Tina Echols. "Style has a lot to say about your personality."

"I do not follow the fads because my own style fits me best," Victoria Nelson said.

"I don't like to follow

fads because they change too much, and they are a waste of money," Mike Brown said.

Top fads have been anything acid washed, mini skirts, balloon skirts, crimped hair, the "baggy look" and leather.

"I think that fashions from the 50's are trendy now. Some of these include thin ties, belts, and leather air corps jackets," said Cesar Contreas. "For the future the experts say bell bottoms and acid rock fashions will return, but I think I would rather be out of style than wear bell bottoms."

"I think 'watch rings' (watches you wear on your fingers) will be 'in' in the future," Christie Sparrow said.

Levis 501's, Guess and Wrangler are still the most popular brands of jeans.

Shoe styles have ranged from ropers and hightops to penny loafers, Zodiacks and plain white tennis shoes.

"I think that fashion is distinct from fads," said Pete Shipman. "I think people who follow the fads have no style of their own. For fashion trends in the future I feel Avant Garde will be popular. It is very futuristic looking (like Buck Rogers). This brand is also very expensive with some items ranging to \$4000."

"I like wearing mini skirts, I wear them a lot. I have a couple of black and white plaid and checkered ones. I guess those are my favorite fads. I also like wearing my boots and Wranglers," Shannon Wright said.

"I like to wear mini skirts and acid washed jeans because they look good," Shaundra Waters said.

Hard Rock Cafe shirts have been a popular fashion statement. Marlene Waters and Cindy Johnson show their NMHS "solid rock" T-shirts, a take off on the logo for the prayer group. Photo by George Thixton.





After lunch, waiting for 5th period, Glenn Reiser, Jimmy Blanton and Debbie Edmondson show their fashions of ripped jeans, a trench coat and mini skirt. Photo by George Thixton



Stopped by the student are display window. Brian Bartle is seen with his Robin Hood boots, black pants and a big sweater. Brand names such as Generra, Bugle Boy USA and Trader Bay brought loose clothing into style. Photo by George Thixton



In his rolled up jeans and black socks and shoes, Evan Bowrey shows his fashion statement. Penny loafers and argyle socks made a come back into the fashion scene. Photo by George Thixton





## Caution: Students on

*Clutching arms and holding the rail students tried their luck at a different activity*

Two bodies were all that was left after the messy accident. Ice shavings flew everywhere, the cold pierced through the pants of their owners and the laughter was not of strangers, but students of the junior and senior classes.

"My favorite things about the junior ice skating party



Encouraging race participants are Tammy Driggets and William Jackson. These races were held at the senior ice skating party held at Prestonwood Mall. Photo by George Thixton

were seeing all my friends, and even people I didn't know, fall down and slide all over the rink. Most of them were doing it on purpose though," Tonya Blankenship said.

December 19, drew students together in an out of school activity, the junior ice skating party. Senior ice skating party was held a week earlier. Prestonwood Mall was the site for the par-

ties. Students met at NMHS and drove to the mall.

"Charla Gervers, Rita Moya and I carpoled because we didn't want to drive and Charla thought she knew where it was," Page Burkhalter said.

After arriving at the party students pooled their money to pay for their tickets and anything extra they wanted to buy. Tickets were \$5 each.

"I spent \$6 at the skating rink and then about another \$5 for dinner at J. T. McCord's after we left the party," Travis Steen said.

"My friends and I spent about two or three hours at the party," Merideth Harris said.

Both of the ice skating parties were held from 7-10 PM.

"Joking with my friends, I wore my ski pants and told them when I fall down I won't get cold and wet. They made me change into sweats before we went inside," said Michael Gondol. "They were embarrassed by my ski wear."

It was a lot of fun at the party and watching all those big football players being so helpless on the ice," Robin Anderson said.

"My favorite things about the junior ice skating party were seeing everyone attempt to skate and then fall down," Roxie McGary said.

"I liked best watching everyone skate and goofing around and having fun all at the same time," Libby Thomas said.

"The ice skating party was a good idea and I liked best the people who got the party together," said Michelle Boyd. "The party was different when Robin Anderson cut her head."

The thing that I will always remember about the junior ice skating party is everyone falling down and having fun," Eric Reed said.

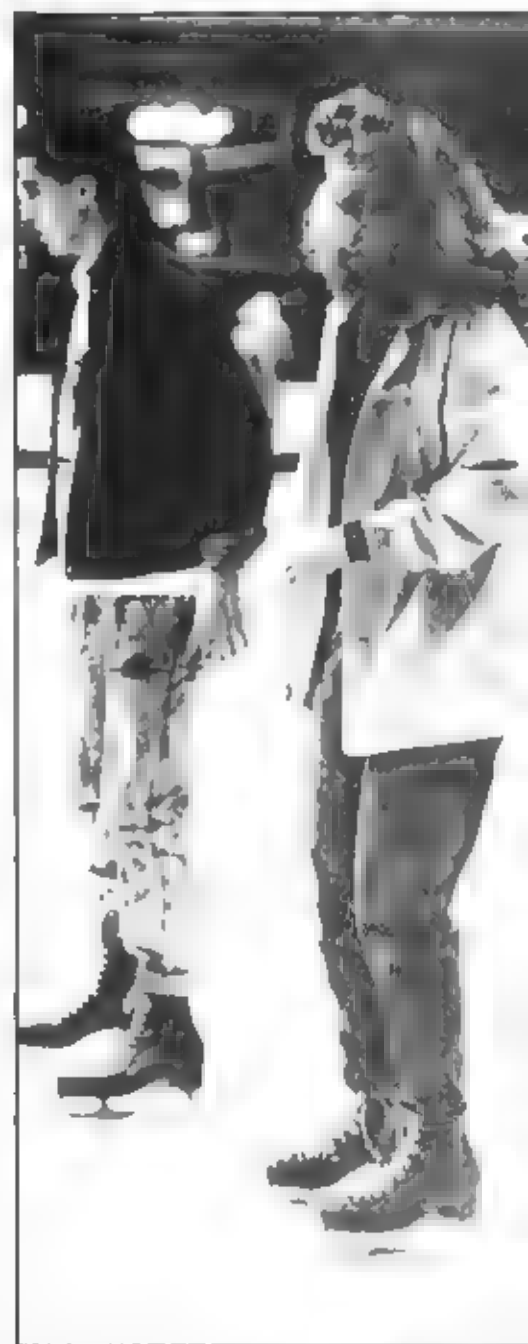
Two friends, Edward Bapczen and Mike Ennis work themselves around the rink at Prestonwood. The junior ice skating party was held December 19, the senior ice skating party was a week earlier. Photo by George Thixton.



Skating solo, Wendy Burkhardt makes her way around the rink. Both the junior and senior ice skating parties were held from 7-10 PM at Prestonwood. Photo by George Thixton.



Waiting for some friends to hit the ice, Emily Murdoch and Carrie Kaiser ease around the rink. Tickets to get in the ice skating rink cost \$5 each. Photo by George Thixton



As their blades hit the ice, Jesse Colwell and Carrie Kaiser watch their friends. Students went out to eat at various restaurants after the party was over. Photo by George Thixton



Getting on the bus, Corby Chitsey, Janet Coker and Susan Browning search for a good seat. Four classes of Business Law students made the trip to the courthouse. Photo by John Holt



Outside the Courtroom, Basulto and Christy Abernathy exchange their views on the case. Business Law students witnessed several trials, including DWI and involuntary manslaughter cases. Photo by John Holt

## Feedback

"I have learned so much in Mr. Shiflet's class, not only about law but about how to be a better person in life."



▼ Michelle McGinnis

"Mr. Shiflet adds philosophy to his method of teaching which helps enlighten and stimulate interest in what he teaches."



▼ Larry Colgrove



# Day In Court

In a short time, a few years at most, every student will leave the protective arms of North Mesquite and begin his own life. All students will have an encounter with the law sometime in their lives, be it positive or negative.

Robert Shiflet's Business Law class strives to prepare them to make that meeting a positive one, and one of the highlights of the class is a trip to the Dallas County Court House.

It was interesting to see firsthand how the law works and see it in action," Kim Martin said.

Students were impressed by what they saw and learned about the legal system.

There was an air of formality and efficiency," Larry Colgrove said.

Everyone knew what they were doing, where they were supposed to go, and who they were supposed to see.

I had a feeling that we should watch what we say and who we say it to," said Travis Perry. "It was a very professional atmosphere."

Everything was in order and none of the prisoners got out of line," Kris Kidd said.

Most of the students, however, were

sobored by their experience and gained a new insight into the reality of crime.

It made me think a little better about what really goes on in the world today," Jason Wright said.

I learned that crime is real," said Brian Duncan. "Criminals on trial have their entire lives on the line."

Those situations in there were real," said Debbie Edmunson. "Those on trial couldn't just change the channel or walk out and be free."

The students learned a few things from their trip in addition to general impressions.

In a courtroom you learn that the judge is the boss," said Damon Carter. "He controls the jury, attorneys, as well as the people watching."

By far, however, the most interesting part of the Business Law class was Mr. Shiflet himself.

He's a very smart man," said John Holt. "He puts effort into each class hour and makes law easy to understand."

I have learned so much from him," said LeeAnn Henrie. "I think every student should take that class."



Caught behind bars, Brian Duggan, Greg Good, and Joe Bowden examine the American justice system from the inside. A visit to the holding cells of the Dallas County Courthouse was part of the field trip. Photo by John Holt.

Entering a cell, Rhonda Smith and other students view the place where criminals awaiting trial are kept. The group received a few peeks from the inmates but no harm. Photo by John Holt.





# The Chosen Few

## Feedback

"I think that the favorites elections are nothing more than a popularity contest, but it's pretty neat."

▼ Jason Ganze

"The favorites program is a good idea because it rewards the people chosen as being well-liked by their classmates."

▼ Julie Houston



As the ballots were collected one February morning, the nominees for Mr. and Miss NMHS waited for the verdict. When Assistant Principal Gary Fortenberry announced the results, Robert Jones and Alana Rattan had come out on top.

"Miss North Mesquite is something I never expected to be, and it still surprises me," said Alana. "I feel honored and privileged to hold this position, though."

I was up against some pretty stiff competition," Robert Jones said, "but I guess somebody liked me."

In addition to choosing Mr. and Miss NMHS, the senior class also selected favorites and officers. The two favorites were Keith Hopkins and LeeAnn Henne, while John Kirkland, Forrest Scott, and Cindy Johnson were voted President, Vice-President, and Secretary.

"This has been a humbling experience for me," said LeeAnn. "I couldn't believe it when I was chosen over all those other girls."

"I enjoy being a class officer because I get to tell my friends when school activities and socials are coming up," Cindy Johnson said.

"My position has made me more aware of my actions in school as well as out of school, since no one wants a trouble-maker for a representative," John Kirkland said.

Principal John Cambell chose four students of exceptional quality to receive the Principal's Award: Joe Bowden, Mark Leone, Mulayna Burch, and Misti Goodman.

When all of these students were asked to explain the purpose of popularity positions, the responses revolved around the same principle.

"These positions serve as role models to people," Forrest Scott said.

"To be an officer means to be a leader," said Cindy Johnson. "When something needs to be done people turn to their leaders."

"We serve as examples of what extra effort can help anyone accomplish," John Kirkland said. ▼



Kicking back, Cindy Johnson relaxes in Mr. Duke's office during her 4th period office worker class. Cindy was also involved in the National Honor Society and Young Life. Photo by John Woolard



Going over his part one more time, Keith Hopkins sings out in choir. Keith was a member of Unity as well as being chosen Senior favorite. Photo by John Woolard



MR. AND MISS NMHS

Robert Jones

Alana Rattan



PRINCIPAL AWARD WINNERS

Mark Leone  
Milayna Birch

Joe Bowden  
Misty Goodman



SENIOR FAVORITES

Keith Hopkins

Lee Ann Henrie



SENIOR CLASS OFFICES

John Kirkland

Forrest Scott

Cindy Johnson



# Out In Front

## Feedback

"I think that the favorites program is great. It's a fitting reward for those who are chosen as the most popular."

▼ Jason Andrews



"It's one of the most exciting times of the year when we get to see who receives the honor of being favorites."

▼ Chris Johnson



With the elections for favorites and officers held in February instead of spring, Juniors and Sophomores had less time to garner support in the runnings. When the final results came in Chuck Hill and Rita Moya had captured the titles of Junior favorites, and Chris Smith, Chuck Hill, and Trent Thrasher were named President, Vice-President, and Secretary of the Junior class.

"It is great to know that my peers perceive me in this way," said Rita Moya. "It was quite a surprise for me; I never suspected it."

"I don't really care about the popularity, but it feels good to know that I have that many friends," Chris Smith said.

Susan Gloden, Kristen Tow, and Karen Clark were chosen Sophomore class officers, and Ramy Weaver and Tysha Renfro were favorites.

"I felt sorry for the people who lost," said Ramy. "but, I'm glad to have been chosen."

Although their positions have shown them the appreciation of their

peers, the favorites and officers did not feel much had changed.

"I still have the friends I had before being Vice-President, and I've met a few more," Kristen Tow said.

"My friends treat me the way they always have," Chuck Hill said.

"I am honored to hold this position, but I don't believe I have changed," said Rita Moya. "I am still the same person I have always been."

Each student felt that being a class officer benefited them in some way.

"I'm hoping that my position as Junior Class President will help my college applications, but other than that it has also made me more responsible," Chris Smith said.

"The position I have as Sophomore President has made me feel more confident about myself," Susan Gloden said.

In support of class officers, Karen Clark said, "All students need to have a good example set for them which they can follow, and these positions serve that purpose." ▼



Going over the events for the next meet, Sophomore favorite Tysha Renfro and teammate Lynn Phalin stretch out in the dressing room. Tysha was also Freshman favorite at Poteet High School the year before. *Photo by John Winland*



Standing before her drama class, Karen Clark recites her part for a grade. Karen was also in JV Drill and the FCA. Photo by John W. Colard



Chuck Hill

Rita Moya

## JUNIOR FAVORITES



Chris Smith

Chuck Hill

Trent Thrasher

## JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS



Ramy Weaver

Tysha Renfro

## SOPHOMORE FAVORITES



Karen Clark

Kristen Tow

Susan Gloden

## SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS



## Feedback

"I felt scared at first about giving blood because of AIDS. I feel that I can give blood to help people if they are dying and to prevent people from dying in the future."



▼ Sabrina Owens

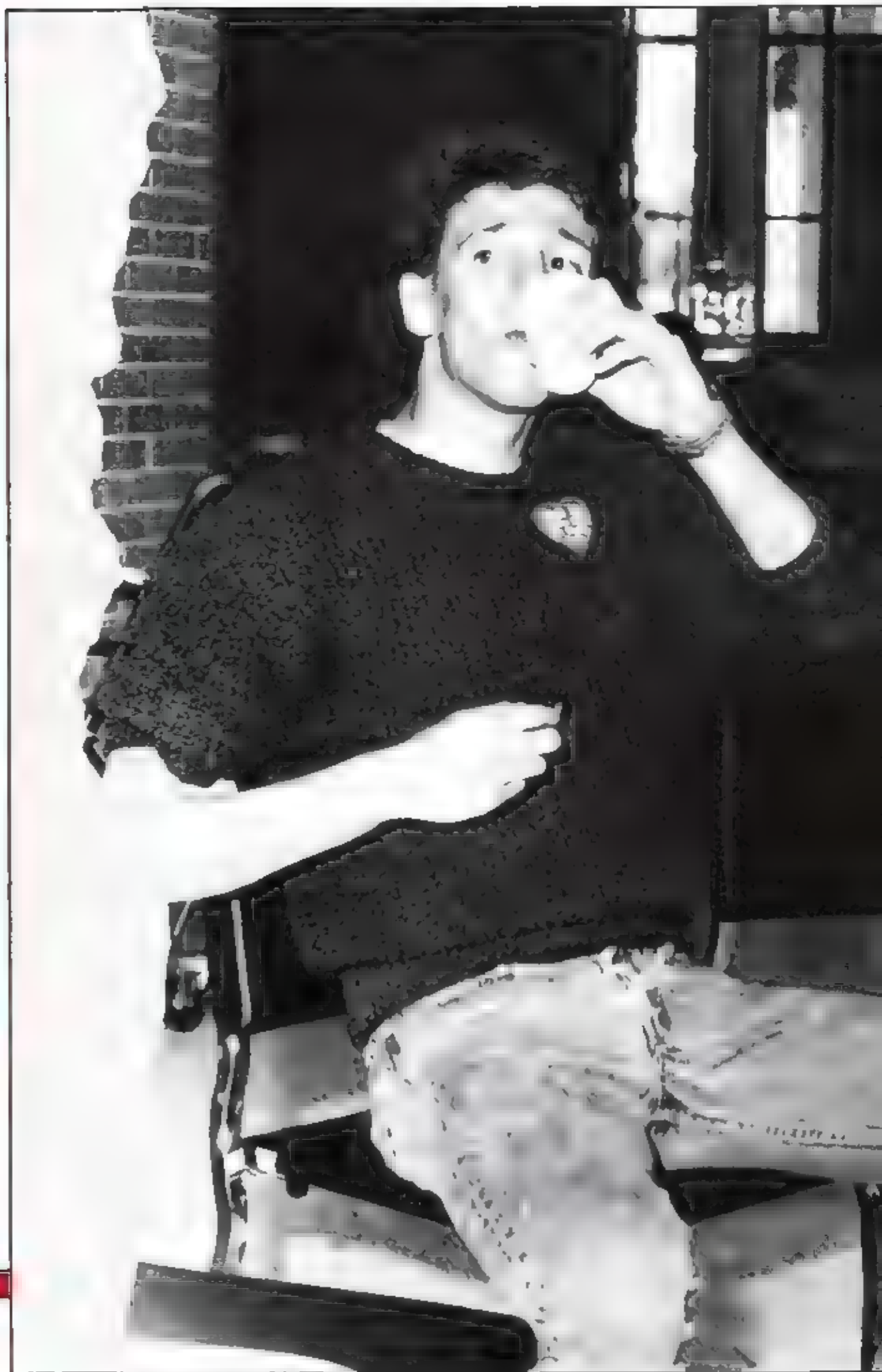
"I felt nervous about giving blood, I just don't let anyone stick me with a needle. This is a really good cause and everyone who gave should feel proud. I know I am helping someone stay alive."



▼ Stacey Wychopen

A sun-kissed kid, Damon Wilson drinks a glass of orange juice after he gave a pint of blood. The blood drive was held February 3 in front of the auditorium. Photo by John Woalard.

Hiding up her hand for support from Keith Hopkins is Shelli Chance. Student Council members were "there" to comfort students who had given blood until they finished the procedure. Photo by John Woalard.



# Kiss Me, I Gave Blood

It happens only one day a year. Fainting, fears, juice, crackers and red heart stickers are all part of this annual event.

"I feel that it is my responsibility to mankind, and that is why I decided to give blood," Matt Wolfgang said.

Organized by the Student Council President Kristin Salas, the annual blood drive was held on February 3. Kristin said that "All we had to do was get a few tables and chairs together and then Wadley Blood Bank would take care of everything else," she said.

"I felt that the operation of the blood drive went smoothly. Everyone was very nice and the student council stood by your side until you were through," Stacey Wychopen said.

Nervous students sometimes became impatient.

"The people that signed up to give blood at a certain time should have been allowed to give at that time, the ones who didn't sign up should have had to wait," Cynthia Kalpatrick said.

In order to give blood students had

to go through a number of steps. If a student was under the age of 18 they were required to get their parents' permission. The minimum age to give was 17.

After students got their parents' permission they waited in line for their turn to fill out forms, get their temperature taken, blood pressure checked, a blood sample taken and answer some questions about diseases and illnesses. Not everyone was allowed to give blood because they had "iron poor blood," high body temperature or not enough body weight.

Numbers increased when it came to the amount of blood given. A total of 106 pints of blood were donated, an increase of ten pints from last year.

Students who gave blood were given a red heart sticker that said "Kiss me I gave blood" and they also received a pin that said "Rock-n-Roll Up Your Sleeve."

"We can continue to help those in need and stop the blood supply from being low," Tracey Wychopen said. ▼



Setting up the crackers, juice and peanut butter, Amy Merriman gets the snacks ready for the students who gave blood. Orange and crackers were given to the students so they would not feel faint. *Photo by John Woolard.*



Waiting in line for her temperature check is Stacey Wychopen. Temperature, blood pressure and a blood sample tests are being given to Troy Cane. *Photo by John Woolard.*



On her way to the MISD science fair, Kim Rowe prepares her project "Can Mice Differentiate Between Patterns." Kim received an Honorable Mention in Biological Sciences. *Photo by Kyle Herron.*



## Feedback

"The science fair is a great opportunity for people to get recognized for hard work and determination."



▼ Michael Gondol

"It was a challenge, but one that you accept in order to feel good about yourself."



▼ Randy Jeffery

Chris Cooley explains how temperature affects the production of saliva to Stacy Johnson. Chris' project took First place in the Chemistry division at the science fair. *Photo by John Holt.*



# Out In Front

Over two hundred students sweat and labored to produce science fair projects due the last week in February. The best twenty-five were gathered and hauled to West Mesquite to compete in the district fair — where they promptly took twenty-two of thirty-one ribbons.

"It was an overwhelming experience," said physics teacher Patsey Spikes. "Our students did an excellent job."

"I was really surprised to be selected," said Alex Martin. "I didn't think I had done enough work to be placed above the others, but I underestimated my own project." Alex believed that his project was simple but well-planned.

"I followed the scientific method and did something original and impressive," said Alex. "I doubt if anyone has thought of testing the strength of nail polish by dropping painted eggs."

Shirly Cherian researched on the effects of lead on plants. She got the idea from a book on the subject.

"I added different concentrations of lead to plants and examined them under a spectrometer each week to observe the effects," she said. "I spent

about a week in research, and I'm sure that paid off."

Also experimenting with lead, Keith Wilkins increased the lead in water inhabited by shrimp and recorded the effects.

"I got the idea from my marine-biology class," said Keith. "I think I moved on to district because my experiment was related to something that actually happens."

Although his project on gravity went to district, Ronnie Henderson felt that he could have done more.

"There was just a great deal I could have learned about my subject if I had researched more," he said. "I see several possibilities for my project now that I didn't see before."

But in the end, the students felt that this science fair taught them a great deal.

"This has helped me to develop a researching process that I'll need to be familiar with before college begins," Athena Aguilar said.

"It also gets the student familiar with the use of the scientific method," said Jeremy Napier, "and students will be seeing plenty of that in college." ▼



Looking over her project "Can the Frequencies of the Tempered Scale Be Represented By A Linear Equation," Amy Burgess sets up her project for display. Amy's project received a Third place award in the Mathematics division. *Photo by Kyle Herron.*



"How Light Behaves" is Stacy Johnson's science fair project, earning a Third place award in the Physics division. North Mesquite took 23 of 31 ribbons awarded in the district science fair. *Photo by Kyle Herron.*



Story time for the children is only one of the duties for Melanie Right. Melanie works at Quail Hollow Private School after school. Photo by John Woolard.



ICT CO-OP program provides George Thixton with a part time job. Developing prints at Shipley's Photography is only part of George's job. Photo by John Holt

Cedar bedding, only one of the hot items needed to be stacked by Keith Duckworth. Money earned was spent on restoring his '66 Pontiac G.T.O. Photo by George Thixton.



# Shelving It Away

Forty hours a week, overtime, a paycheck and experience are all common words for those students with a job.

"I got a job because I am in HECE. I work at a day care because I really love to work with children," Michelle Liston said.

Students' main reasons for finding a job have ranged from just wanting extra money or spending money to getting experience and paying for car insurance.

"I wanted money for college, so I work as a hostess at the Olive Garden," Shari Kirk said.

Time spent by students at work is very different. Some students work as much as possible, while others do just the opposite.

"I usually work three or four times a week, but for now during the slow season at Big Al's I mainly work only Fridays and Saturdays," Tiffanie Kines said.

"I work at Fashion Conspiracy five days, five hours a day," Sonia

Naaman said.

Movies, going out on dates, shopping and just relaxing at home are some of the things students who work miss.

"Because I work at Burger King, I miss time to do homework, time to watch TV and time to go out with my friends," Eileen Clark said.

"I work at Sears and don't really miss anything because I plan all my activities around my work schedule," Lori Robinson said.

"I don't really miss anything during the week nights, but during the weekend I miss shopping and a lot of sleeping," Pam Flynn said.

Job hunting can be very hard or very easy depending on the type of job someone is looking for, the location and how many hours they want to work.

"When looking for a job a person should keep a positive and professional attitude about the job and themselves too," Bobbie Walker said.



Chains are used to raise a car in Jimmy Blanton's father's body shop, color Masters. Sound equipment was bought with his money earned for his band "Picture This." Photo by George Thixton.

## Feedback

"I work at Town East Pool to pay for



my car. I really like my job and because I work at the pool I only have to work during the summer."

▼ Jason Nevil

"I work at AMC, Towne Crossing



Theater 8 because I need spending money. I miss parties, basketball games and much more because I work all the time."

▼ Jennifer West



Lecturing on the importance of auditioning "objectively," director Lois Logan emphasizes her point. Logan cast 15 actors, three alternates and a stage crew of four for the UIL production of "Splendor in the Grass." Photo by John Woolard.



## Feedback

"I decided to try out for band for many reasons such as I really like to be in it with my friends because it is a lot of fun plus you also gain self discipline."



▼ Robin Hopkins

"I think I will gain more confidence in myself through Pacesetters. I think I will also gain new friends who enjoy doing just about the same things I do. Tryouts are very tough."



▼ Shannon Steep

Momentarily breaking away from Pacesetter tryout practice, Tamara Barnett yawns and stretches. Pacesetter tryouts were held on March 25. Photo by John Woolard.



# Breaking For A Yawn

Messing up on the last step of the routine, not knowing half the questions on the test and hitting a wrong note from the start are "tragedies" of trying out.

Waiting for the results to be posted can cause biting fingernails and pulling hair out because of the anticipation.

"I decided to try out for band next year because I really want to be in it," Michelle Wallace said.

Endurance, ability, knowledge, patience and confidence are all needed for a successful try out.

Tryouts for band or for Honors Band are rather easy," said Beverly Chamberlain, "It only requires you to use information or techniques that you should already know.

Trying out for athletics have different requirements.

Track and cross country try outs were fairly easy. If you have ability Coach Mellado puts you on the team, this is a basis for his decision on who makes the team," Brent Clement said.

Qualities gained from the try out are just as important as making what the try out was for.

"I'll gain new friends, experience, ability and a new sense of competitiveness," Tammy Briggs said.

"I would gain close friendships with people that will be able to accept me even when I make mistakes if I make Pacesetters," Cheryl Hubik said.

Trying out is something that people deal with every day. Getting what a person wants can only be obtained by taking a chance and trying their best.

"When you want something bad enough, you've got to go out and give it your best shot, and no matter what the outcome you are still a winner because you tried," Jill Jarvis said.

Trying out for any activity requires confidence, self discipline and ability to face competition. These factors must be in any person trying out for whatever because there are always people who want to make it just as bad as you do," Rashundra Thompson said. ▼



Encouraging Pacesetter hopefuls, Lieutenant Donna Kautzsch stands on the bleachers behind the judges to get a better look. Lieutenants and captain created the routine to "Point of No Return" that was performed during try outs. Photo by John Woolard



Auditioning for the principle roles for the UIL one act play, Denel Dunn and Brad Holt go through "cold" reading. Denel and Brad both received one of the 16 roles in "Splendor in the Grass." Photo by John Woolard



**O**bserving a map of Mesquite, Erin Mattingly and the real Assistant Fire Chief Jack Hartless note the route taken by firetrucks as they rush to an emergency. The city council and mayor met with the students holding those offices. *Photo by John Wooland*

**L**istening to a sergeant in the Mesquite police force, Laura Mays, John Hurkland, Robby Vaughn, Amy Heaps, and Kim Rowe learn about the procedure for drug testing. The seniors also visited the city jail as part of Student Government Day. *Photo by John Wooland*



**7** During the offices of the officials of Mesquite, City Engineer Angela McClure and Court Judge Brian Duggan are briefed on their offices and duties. Everyone had a part in the council meeting which took place at the end of the day. *Photo by John Wooland*





## STANDING, LEARNING, OBSERVING

angry voices mixed to form a single, unintelligible mumble as the city council filed into place. With a rapping gavel and a call for order, the mayor began the city council meeting.

On this day, however, LeeAnn Henrie sat in for Mayor George Venner, and six seniors from North Mesquite High School held places on the council. Student Government Day had begun.

"Being mayor was not easy," said LeeAnn Henrie. "You can't please everybody; you just have to go with the majority."

Henrie and her fellow council members met with the real mayor and city council to discuss their duties while the remaining city officials toured the city capitol and other locations relevant to their positions.

"As Environmental Health Officer I visited an animal shelter," said Wesley Cunningham. "Then I went to Officer Skaggs' office and discussed the plans he and the council had made for Mesquite."

"The Utilities Superintendent and I went to Dollywood, the sewage treatment

plant," Todd Sharp said.

According to the students the most remarkable events on Student Government Day were the mock trial and council meeting.

"The council meeting was great because it was the students doing the work," Jennifer Pennington said.

"I think I will always remember Kristen Salas as the City Attorney," said Leigh Ellis. "She was tough, but she got the job done."

"Brian Duggan was also good," said Wesley Cunningham. "He kept the court in line and put on a good show."

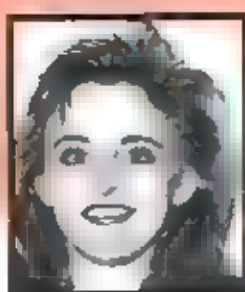
To the seniors, the purpose of Student Government Day centered around the amount of information they had learned about local government.

"It showed me that government is tough," said LeeAnn Henrie. "Those people don't play around, they're almost always busy."

"I didn't realize how close we are to being actual parts of society," said Leigh Ellis.

Soon we will be in control of the government, and knowledge of its workings is vital."

"Local government is the foundation that our nation is built on, and it was interesting to see it in action."



Michelle  
Chapman,  
12th

**S**tudents journey to city hall and spend a day in charge of Mesquite.



**F**ramed by a tapestry in a French restaurant, Hi Jung Chung, Karen Bailey, Keith Wilkins, Rachel Oliver, Lisa Mearon and Tracy Raymond get ready for their dinner. Other not pictured NM students that went on the trip were Niki Rodgers and Julie Capps. *Photo by Sue Braden*



**D**eparture time for Louie Charles and Jeff Armstrong means a long walk from the steps of the cabin. Louie and Jeff spent a week at the Colorado resort. *Photo by Kimberly Jackson*

**H**ot tunes on his walkman help Neil Murdock endure the long ride home from his ski trip. Neil went with his church youth group from Shalom Terrace Baptist Church in Winter Park, Colorado. *Photo by Kimberly Jackson*





## COMING AND GOING AT SPRING BREAK

total freedom from school, but only for a week. Hitting the beach, playing in the sand, visiting relatives, or just staying at home were the ways NM students spent spring break week.

"During spring break I either sat at home, went shopping or vegetated in front of the TV," Leah Boettinger said.

"I went skiing with my church youth group in Winter Park, Colorado," Kimberly Jackson said.

Although a few students had fun on a trip or watched TV, most students had to work at their job all through the spring break week.

"I worked every single day of spring break," said Rick Northcutt. "Even though I did work, I really did enjoy my spring break because it was a chance for me to release some of my pre-summer frustrations."

Some students worked through spring break a different way.

"Running and working out for track at Hanby Stadium is what I did over my spring break," Jay Starnes said.

France and the French language was the focus of the spring break European vacation. Students who had a good discipline record at school, and the standard cost of \$1,299, could go on the trip. If the students would have gone outside the group the same trip would have cost an estimated \$3,000.

Students toured Trafalgar Square, Westminster Abbey and Big Ben, London, Notre Dame Cathedral, Place de la Concorde, the Louvre and the Eiffel Tower, France, and the Lucerne and a view from Mt. Pilatus in Switzerland all in eight days.

For most students spring break was a needed week to get their minds set for the "stretch run" of school.

"The purpose of spring break is to take a little time from the strain of school and prepare for the 5th and 6th six weeks. Everyone needs a little time off to do the things they want," Melissa Vaughan said.

"We need a break from school sometimes. If we didn't have a break, I think more people would skip," Jennifer Fann said.

"Spring break is a time to get away and get your thoughts together to return to school."



Susan  
Wages,  
11th

**T**otal freedom from school, but only for a week. Sitting at home was the way to spend spring break.



**E**xecuting a halftime routine to 'Pump Up the Volume' the "Pacesetters" cheer up excitement with their jump splits and kicks. After school practices paid off in precise execution and obvious coordination. *Photo by John Woolard*

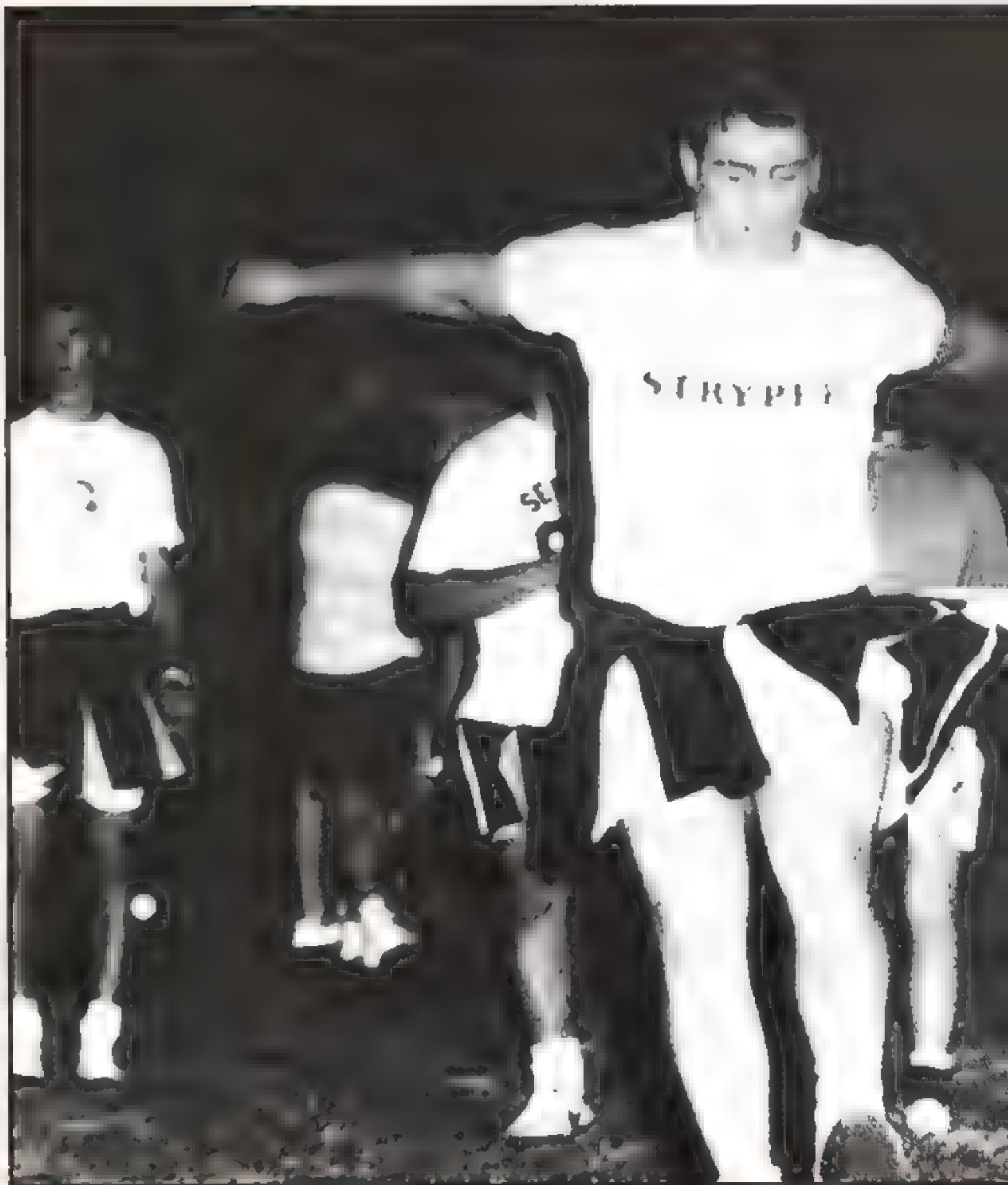
**P**owder Puff cheerleader, Jeff Good, otherwise known as "Stryper" jumps for a high five on the trampoline during the annual contest held March 29. 'Boys' performed continuous stunts throughout the game to encourage their team. *Photo by John Woolard*

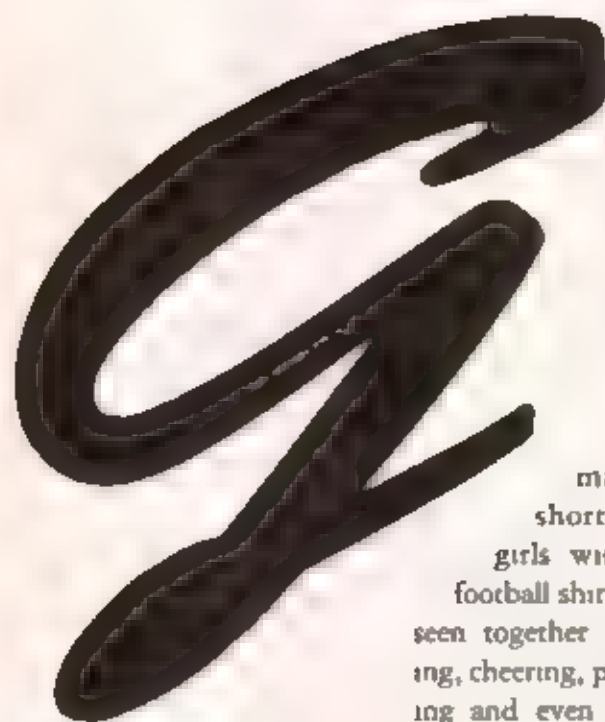
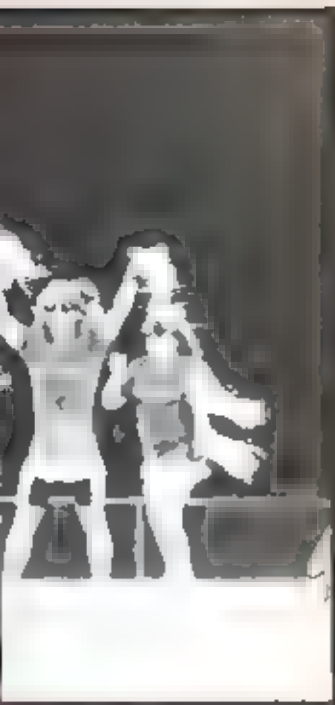


**W**ater Break! Cindy Johnson takes a drink during a time out at the Powder Puff game. Cindy's team, the seniors, beat the juniors 32-6. *Photo by John Woolard*



**R**acing around the end, picking up the loose yardage that the juniors gained is Julie Paul. The underclassmen scored only once. *Photo by John Woolard*





## HOP, SKIP, JUMP, BOUNCE AND WIN

Guys in make-up and short skirts and girls with flags and football shirts can only be seen together once. Laughing, cheering, pushing, shoving and even name calling accompanied this annual event.

"Going to the Powder Puff game was one of the best times I have had this year," Karen McGinnis said.

Rain and foul weather caused the game to be cancelled twice, but on March 29, the Powder Puff game was finally played at McDonald field.

Large lines formed at the ticket booth at 7:00 PM where counselor Sue Braden and principal John Campbell worked frantically to get tickets sold as quickly as possible.

"I was surprised at how long the line was when my friends and I got to the game," Jennifer Mastin said.

Six hundred and fifty six people attended the game and a total of \$1,312 was raised for the prom fund.

Cheerleaders, or otherwise known as "rah rahs" performed feats such as "leap frog" and "high five," con-

tinuous entertainment throughout the game. Trampolines, talent, encouragement from the crowd and help from their instructors enabled them to execute the evening.

"We had several practices to get us ready for the game," senior cheerleader Brian Chapman said.

Halftime laughs were provided by the "Pacesetters" who performed a routine including kicks and jump splits to "Pump Up the Volume."

"The crowd really enjoyed the halftime show. We really didn't know the routine very well, we watched each other," Stephen Tate said.

Another halftime highlight was the crowning of the new Powder Puff Homecoming King, Eric Elder, who was escorted onto the field by his mother, Mrs. Dottie Elder.

Taking defeat gracefully, the juniors left the field scoring only once, while the seniors scored "five times" as much and won 32-6.

Once again, the unbeatable tradition that seniors always win in the Powder Puff game was upheld.

"In order for a game to be a success, the crowd should enjoy it."



Steve  
Malin  
12

**G**uys in make-up and short skirts and girls with flags and football shirts can only be seen together once.



6:30 AM

"I am engaging in combat with myself to go and take a shower."

— Ronnie Gunstanson



8:30 AM



"I feed my pet alligator breakfast and jog 17 miles to school, Ha, Ha."

— Ginee Burnside

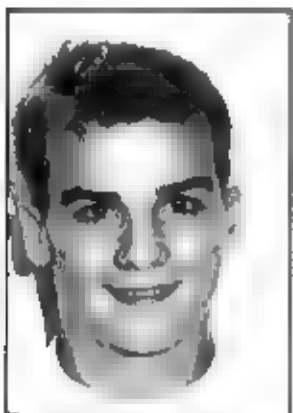
2:30 PM

"I am usually working on my geometry at this time of the day."

— Matt Wolfgang



3:45 PM



"After school I usually go and practice some football."

— Todd Hamilton

Honor's classes such as Mrs. Gay Bennett's English II require class participation as part of their grade. Mrs. Bennett averaged 24 students per class where students were required to qualify by grades and testing. Photo by Kyle Herron





## TIME FOR FACTS AND FIGURES

What do students do during a normal day besides school...

(a) watch TV (b) do homework (c) go out (d) play sports (e) eat (f) work?

6:30 AM — Annoying buzzing sounds or loud music can usually be heard blasting from a clock radio or alarm clock at this time of day. Students are just waking up to get into their "normal" morning ritual of taking a shower, fixing their hair and eating breakfast.

"At 6:30 AM I am usually sleepily eating my Fruit Loops before I have to go to the wonderful bus stop," Adam Roberts said.

Contemplating over what to wear and getting things together students have started off their day.

8:00 AM — Football films are going on, drill routines are being learned and many other various activities are usually underway at this time of the morning.

"At 8:00 AM we have usually just finished watching football films and are starting our morning workout," John White said.

Patently waiting for their rides or even just waking up

late are a few things other students are doing.

"I am usually leaving for school when this time rolls around," Ben Northcutt said.

12:30 PM — Stuffing faces at lunch, studying during homeroom time or just listening in class are all activities held by most students during the noon hour.

"I am most likely sitting in French listening to Ms. Attaway tell her knowledge of the 'French' language," Kristin Gray said.

Spring training is another activity going on for the girls' basketball team during this time.

"I am usually dead about this time because of spring training," Carol Ardanowski said.

3:45 PM — Those final bells for the day just finished sounding about 15 minutes ago. Students are going to their lockers and deciding what books to take home for homework to look at instead of opening and saying good bye to friends.

"At 3:45 I am outside in front of the school waiting for my ride," John Perry said.

"At 6:30 AM I'm throwing my teddy bear to shoot the alarm."



Vivian  
Alvarez  
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What happens during a normal day for students besides school? Watching TV, playing sports and work are only a few things.



6:00 P.M.

"I am usually at a local record store or at Valley View mall."

— Tuan Hong



7:45 P.M.

"I am usually talking on the phone so I won't be bored,"

— Duc Le



9:30 P.M.

"I am on my way to my boyfriend's house after dinner,"

— Kari Redden



11:30 P.M.

"Sleeping, because if I don't get my 12 hours I am totally impossible,"

— Trish Chaney



Patio umbrellas and tables are only some of the items Sean Kittle works with at his job at Best Products. Sean works to save money for college. Photo by John Woolard





## TIME FOR TABLES, CHAIRS, UMBRELLAS

**6:00 PM** — News, "Different Strokes", "Family Ties", "Silver Spoons", and "Gunsmoke" are a few of the TV shows that are viewed at six each day.

"At 6:00 PM I am usually home watching the News," John Greer said.

While some students are preparing to eat or fix dinner, other students are either already at work or getting ready to go to their job.

"During this time period I am usually at work at Whataburger. If I am not at work I am eating dinner, or out with my friends," Jim DeCanto said.

**7:45 PM** — Homework for many students during this time mode. Deciding which book to open Spanish or Economics is a problem that takes awhile to decide. If it is decided that homework is not the thing to do there is still the "old" TV set blaring away such shows as "Valerie's Family" and the "Wonder Years."

"I usually try and watch anything that is interesting on TV, but if there isn't anything I just resort to doing

homework," Janet Daum said.

**9:30 PM** — Constant ringing can be heard at this time of day. This is of course caused by that one type of bell, the phone bell. Taking a break from TV and homework students escape from reality and talk away about the latest gossip about fashion and friends.

"I like to talk on the phone to catch up on what is going on with my friends," said Duc Le. "I also like to talk with my friends for advice with other people and things that have happened during the day."

**11:30 PM** — Students are now starting to unwind from their day full of events. Phone conversations have begun to slow down and homework has generally been put to rest for the day.

"Love Connection" is a popular show viewed by many students with their eyes still glued to the set.

"I am usually watching "Love Connection" to see the people laugh and squirm," Jason Johnson said.

"I am usually waiting for my ride to come at 3:45 PM."



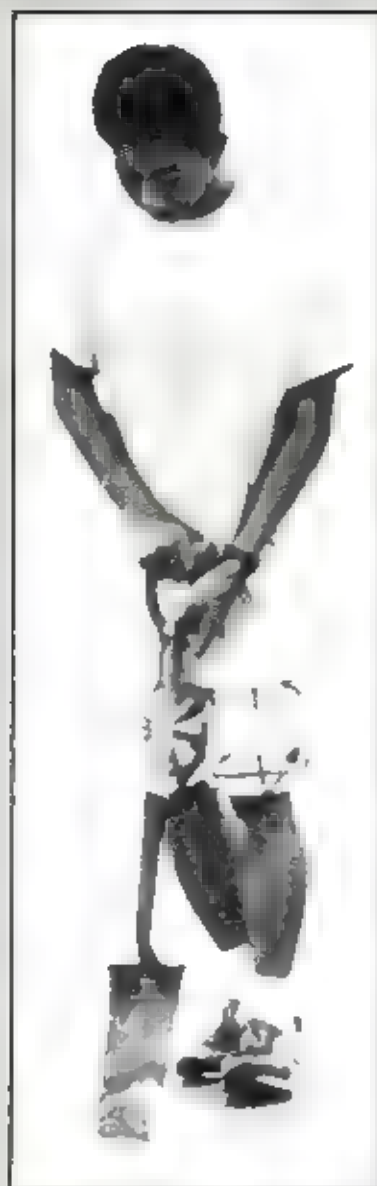
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**A**fter school hours provide time for students to eat, do homework and go out with friends.



**G**athered around a snake trap, Karlene Brown, Ashley Bowling, Keith Wilkins, Jason Fith, Brian Moore, and Ranson Page prepare to transfer a captured animal to a cage. The Marine Science class examined over a hundred organisms. *Photo by Ron Pardon.*

**D**irecting his students along the beach at Port Aransas, teacher Ben Cross shows David Wilcox, Cindy Kilpatrick, and Meredith Groesbeck the dunes where they will be studying. Students spent two full days on the beach. *Photo by Ron Pardon.*



**D**igging for clams by the sea, Edward Baptista shows his expertise with the shovel. The students built traps in the sand to catch crabs, kangaroo rats, and other animals on the trip to Port Aransas. *Photo by Ron Pardon.*



## DOWN IN THE DUNES



ix thirty on any Saturday morning finds sane students sleeping soundly and dreaming about the events of the previous night. On April 16th, however, 17 students and teacher Ben Cross began their journey to Port Aransas near Corpus Christi to apply what they learned in Marine Science.

"This trip was very educational," said David Bowdon. "You actually get to see what you've learned all year: the importance of the marine environment."

The trip was a time of applying the things the students had learned at school as well as discovering new things.

"We learned how to catch some animals with different traps and nets," Misti Goodman said.

"I discovered the poignant sting of the Portuguese Man-o-war," Edward Baptista said.

"The corrosive effect of the salt air and water on clothes is the thing I will remember the longest," Keith Wilkins said.

Chasing crabs and hunting kangaroo rats were

among the most common memorable events of the students.

"On the first night we went ghost crab hunting," said Andra King, "and I loved just watching everybody dive to the ground trying to catch them."

"I also remember a boat ride we took where we examined several examples of the animals that live in the ocean," Alana Rattan said.

"I don't think I will ever forget Misti and Jeanna wrestling in their room," Ronson Page said.

On the whole, the Marine Science students enjoyed their learning experience and a chance to get away and have fun.

"It was important to know how much our society depends on the marine environment for food, water, and all the factors of life," Meredith Groesbeck said.

"For four days we were able to see and work with all the animals and environments that we had learned about all year," said Karlene Brown. "The year wouldn't have been the same without it."

"Basically, we had a blast," Jeanne Garvin said.

"Everything we learned during the year leads up to this trip."



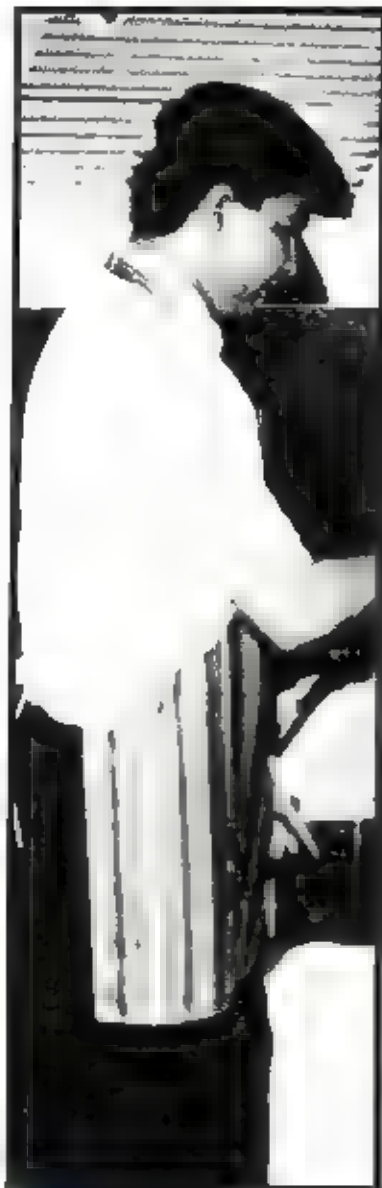
Brian  
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**W**ith Saturday through Tuesday off from school, the Marine Science class headed for Port Aransas.



arching up on some yardwork. Brandon Dry mows the lawn on a Saturday. Weekends were perfect times to do the things that school prohibited during the week. *Photo by Shawn Dry*

ehind the register at Miller's Outpost in Town East Mall. Julie McCormick rings up a customer's clothes. Julie worked about twenty hours a week, twelve of which were on a weekend. *Photo by Shawn Dry*



Helping a customer, Marco Mancio pours a drink at Chuck-til-a. The business was closed on Sundays, giving its employees some guaranteed weekend time. *Photo by Shawn Dry*



## PUSHING THROUGH WITH TIME OFF

ive days. Students slave over textbooks, essays, and calculators for five long, nerve-racking days. Fortunately, when that time is over, those who have endured receive their reward — the weekend.

"I live for weekends!" said Michelle Wallace. "I think we have them just so kids can get a break from school!"

Weekends, however, are much more fun than just a break from school.

"I need weekends to catch up on my sleep," Cindy Perry said.

Weekends give me time to spend alone or with my family," Kim Sogard said.

Friday and Saturday nights gave students time to let their hair down and do what they wanted.

"My friends and I usually go to a party or the movies," Reena Korah said.

"I like to go to the movies, grab a bite to eat, and then go cruise Galloway and Beltline," Glen Ellerbrock said.

I usually play tennis or go shopping," Thuy Vu said.

"Weekend nights I enjoy eating pizza and watching

sit-coms and old movies," Adam Roberts said.

During the day on Saturday, students take time to get away and enjoy the finer things in life.

"My boyfriend Heath and I do all kinds of things together," said Katrese Cook, including washing cars, working in the yard, dancing, and flying kites.

"When it's warm, I go to the lake and play in the sun," Jennifer Fain said.

"I like to sit around and think about what will happen that night," Kari Redden said.

Sundays were often reserved for church and rest.

"I go to church in the morning and at night and spend the rest of the day on the phone," Debbie Laxon said.

Unfortunately, many students filled up their weekends by working, but everyone found time for recreation.

"I usually work during the day on Saturday but always go out that night," Glenda White said.

Elizabeth Ardanowski said, "Nothing, not even work, keeps me from enjoying my weekend."

"Life without weekends wouldn't be life at all."



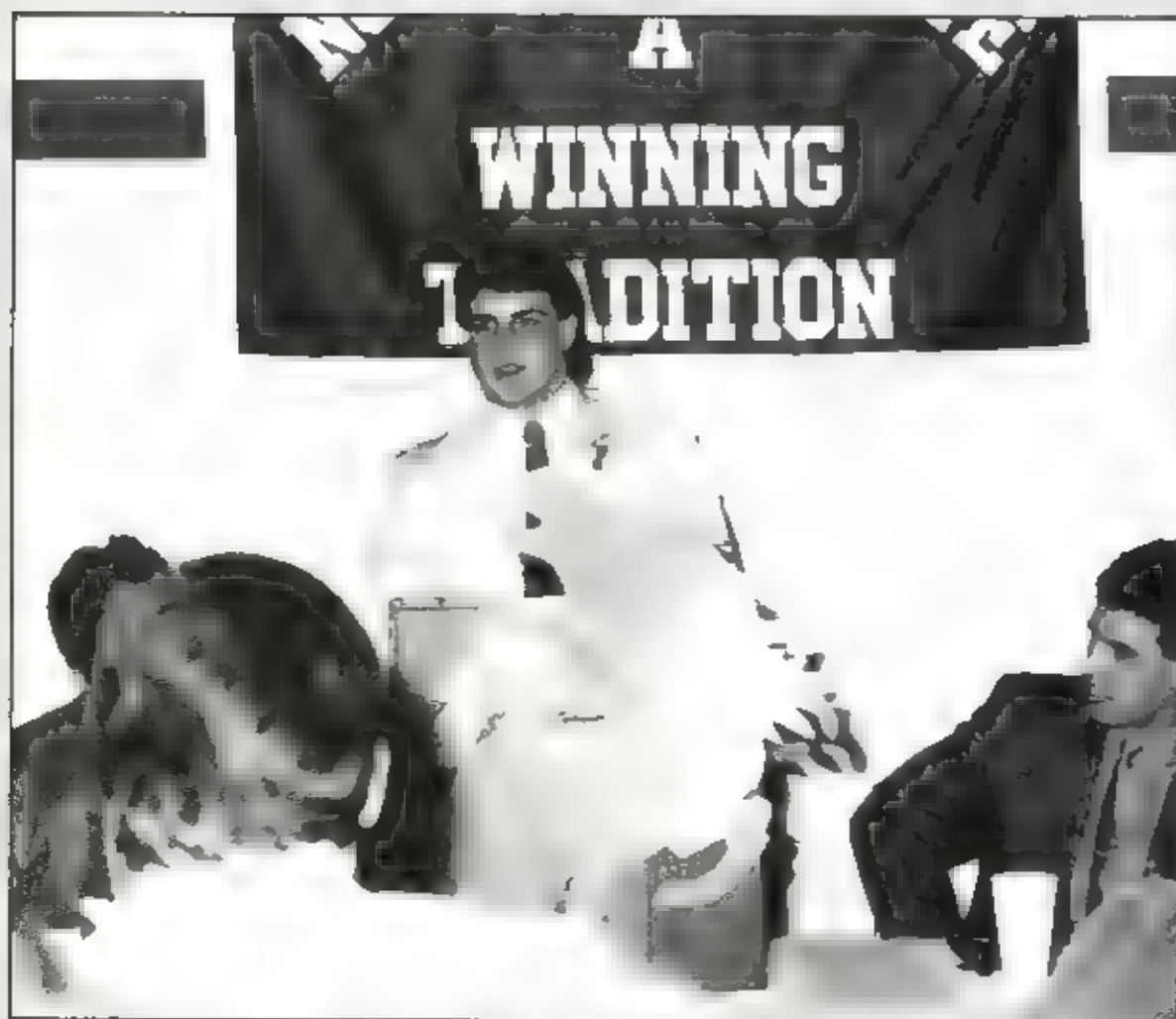
Cathy  
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Weekends gave students time to get away from school and let their hair down.



**P**resenting Coach Gary Childress a team plaque is John Fornero. John presented the award at the Fall Sports Banquet held on January 9. *Photo by Ron Taylor.*

**W**aiting in line to 'chow down' are David Wilcox and Amy Koeing. Honoring the spring sports athletes on May 27, the cafeteria housed the event where 400 people attended. *Photo by Ron Taylor.*



**S**pecial thanks were given to Casey Rawlins and Dottie King for being cheerleader managers. Casey and Dottie made their thank you speech. *Photo by Ron Taylor.*

**C**heerleading sponsor Linda Muhl presents the most promising underclassman cheerleader award to Susan Gloden. Susan received her award at the cheerleader banquet held on February 20. *Photo by Ron Taylor.*





# No Single Athlete In The Spotlight

Athletes and  
performers rewarded  
for their feats

**N**o one group got its own special time. Time had to be shared equally for everyone to get his last chance in the spotlight for the year. Rewarded for their hard work and special abilities these "athletes" met for one of the last times as a complete group.

"The sports banquets were a chance for the athletes to get rewarded for all of their hours of hard work and accomplishments that were made throughout the year," Ronnie Henderson said.

Fall sports such as football, volleyball, and cross country were awarded earlier in the year at the fall sports banquet held on January 9. Spring sports such as track, soccer, golf, swimming, tennis, and basketball were awarded on May 27.

Cafeteria ladies prepared food for the two events both held in the cafeteria at 7:30 PM.

Booster Club members sold tickets for \$7 each in the front cage before school and during lunches for any other students that wanted to attend. Members of the Booster Club also sponsored both of the events.

Many students felt that the banquets were not long enough, and in 20 minutes not enough recognition could be given to each sport.

"I think that every sport is individual and deserves individual attention and not generalized," Christy Ledford said.

Following getting their awards, athletes and other students slowly trickled out of the cafeteria contemplating over the year's events.

"Players in one sport got an opportunity to learn about the other sports. Because there were 11 teams it had to go fast," Amy Kyser said.

*"Because  
there were  
many teams  
the banquets  
had to go  
fast,"*

— Amy  
Kyser



**R**ising high, Kristin Salas hits an ending pose after the cheerleaders routine to Control. People packed into the auditorium and were even standing in the aisles in order to see the Stage Show. Photo by Kyle Herron.



**H**itting a pose, Glenda White finishes off only one of the routines in the Stage Show. In all, there were a total of sixteen routines performed by the end of the two hour show. Photo by Kyle Herron.



**H**aving both pacifier and baby made the evening complete at the Stage Show for Erik Van Meter. Erik performed this little skit to "I Think We're Alone Now." Photo by Kyle Herron.

**F**alling into awaiting arms is Janelle Long. Janelle performed in "White Heat" in the Stage Show held April 26 at 7:30 PM. Photo by Kyle Herron.





# FINAL POSITION AND DANCE

Music, Dances, Cheering  
and fun all accompanied  
this annual event.



ixteen routines, lights, music, Pacesetters, cheerleaders and Flag Corps all made up the Stage Show

My favorite thing about the Stage Show was the routine to 'I Think We're Alone Now' with the dolls, Shanda Lawley said

Performers sold tickets for \$4 each and the auditorium was packed with people standing in the aisles

"I think that the tickets were definitely worth the money," said Steve Malin, "Where else can you get beautiful girls and live entertainment at the same time"

Practices began after spring break for the seniors and a month later for the juniors to ready themselves for the show held April 26 at 7:30 PM

"We had practices every morning from 7:15 AM to 9:00 AM for about six weeks," junior Pacesetter Julie McCormick said.

Main highlights of the show consisted of the "muscle contest," the slide show of the year's activities, and the announcement of the new officers.

"I wish that the slide show could have been a little bit longer and maybe even a little bit clearer," Melissa Brooks said.

Support and cheer came from the crowd to tell the group that their show had gotten its message across. This was the groups last chance to perform together

"In all, I thought the crowd was fun, polite, and supportive, yet energetic," said senior Pacesetter Leigh Ellis, "When you are performing you do not pay much attention to the audience because you are concentrating on the routine and smiling.

*"I liked  
when they an-  
nounced the  
officers the  
best."*

*— Patricia  
Leon*



*Cannon, at Honor Roll:* Chantelle Nguyen, Amanda M. Phetsun, Holley Casey, Nathan Baird, Kristina Sams, LeeAnn Henne, Miss Goodman, Marlene Waters, Cindy Kilpatrick, Rita J. Huda, Naureen, Danni Kang, Michelle Chapman, Dana Reynolds, Cindy Johnson, Melanie Cary, Clara Austin, Karlene Brown, Rita J. Melissa Mattui, Maler Hunter, Beth Arganowski, Julie Branson, Donna Kautsch, Amy Dickey, Wesley Cunningham, Angela McClure, Casey Rawls, Rita J. Mar, Leona, Eshay, Mardiah, Mary Ha werth, Trevina Height, Keith Walters, David Bowdoin, Brian Nubins, Robert Jones, Rita J. Anh LeDung, Edward Bapista, Travis Steen, Joe Bowden, Milanya Burch, Teresa McMullan, Cynthia Hurtas, Chuck Rawlinson, Rita J. Andy Cook, Damon Wilson, Keith Hopkins, John Datta, John Todd, Arthur Koenig.

**H**olding the net, instead of spiking the ball, Travis Steen loses a point in a volleyball game at the "Council of Honor" held at Samuel Farm. His teammates were John Todd and Arthur Koenig. *Photo by Ron Taylor*



**T**esting their skills at the ring toss are Milanya Burch and principal John Campbell. This select picnic group of honored students visited Samuel Farm May 18 for the "first time" event. *Photo by Ron Taylor*

**S**picing up a hot dog and drinking a Dr. Pepper at principal John Campbell's picnic is Trevina Height. Trevina was also chosen to be the typist for the T.E.A. accreditation team when it visited NM. *Photo by Ron Taylor.*





# Fifty seven Students, Ten Teachers

Fifty seven top seniors  
honored with a picnic  
for their hard work

**T**wo students ambled down a grassy path toward a reserved area at Samuel's Farm on May 18. The 200 yard walk ended at the barbecue pit where chili, hot dogs and barbecued beef were being cooked on a grill fashioned by Ed Trew.

The long walk was worth it because the food was excellent. By the time we finished we were so full we couldn't even play volleyball," Holley Casey said.

Off in a corner four students had chosen sides to pitch rings. In another section twelve students were already playing volleyball. Horseshoes and softball were a few of the other games played at the picnic from 4 to 7 PM.

The event was a picnic paid for by principal John Campbell in honor of a new group, the Council of Honor.

"A total of ten teachers and administrators joined in this occasion to honor these students," Campbell said.

In order to be a picnic participant students must of received teacher nominations. Fifty seven top seniors received at least five nominations from teachers as being the most outstanding student they taught and 123 other seniors received less than five nominations. Those 57 who were recognized with the picnic had five or more nominations.

Because of the heavy competition, being on Mr. Campbell's Council of Honor was truly an honor. He was always doing something for and giving something back to the students who have given their best to the teachers and North Mesquite," Michelle Chapman said.

*"The Council of Honor picnic was quite an honor to attend,"*

— Marlene Waters



**E**njoying a light meal at the prom, Franco Diaz, Marco Matriuso, and Amy Hearn watch their friends on the dance floor. Every senior received a pair of sunglasses with "Prom '88" engraved on them. *Photo by John Holt*



**G**athering in the complimentary food, Micheal Jasek and Phoebe Innman enjoy the buffet style meal. The menu for the night included cheese, chicken, crackers, and assorted vegetables. *Photo by John Holt*



**A**fter registering for the senior walk, Evan Bowers and Stephanie Knight move to stand in line. Some couples waited for an hour or more to walk across the stage with their dates. *Photo by John Holt*

**S**neaking in a glass of water, Chris Limmer takes a break from dancing. The doors opened at the Apparel Mart at 7 and closed at 11. *Photo by John Holt*





# A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

FOOD, FUN, AND FRIENDS  
MADE THIS PROM THE  
BEST YET

**F**or four years, students go through the motions of school homework, studying, tests, and back again. But as they near the end, they have one night of glamour and excitement to look forward to — the prom.

"Proms are overrated and expensive," said Emily Murdock, "but that's what they're for, to give us an opportunity to be wild and irresponsible after four years of slavery."

"It's the one night that you get to dress up, spend lots of money, and party, party, party!" Terry Lott said.

Different opinions were held by other students.

Proms give everyone a chance to spend an expensive night out once in their life," Terry Mayo said.

It gives everyone a chance to dress up and show off," Leslie Hickey said.

Plans for the evening of the prom were varied and interesting.

"We stayed at the prom from 7 to 10, and then left to board the Texas Queen on Lake Ray Hubbard at 11," said Melanie Woodall. "We ate dinner and danced on the Queen, and then came back to Mesquite. After changing clothes we drove around and ended up at a friend's house half asleep."

"My date and I danced at the prom until 11 and then went to Spaghetti Warehouse with some friends," said Elizabeth Ardanowski. "We spent the night at a friend's house and ate breakfast at the lake in the morning."

"We stayed so long at the prom that we missed the Texas Queen," said Travis Steen. "So instead a group of us had a picnic in the middle of McDonald Middle School's football field in our formals. CONTINUED ON PAGE 77"

*"The prom  
is one of the  
last times to  
really act stu-  
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*— Debbie  
Edmunson*



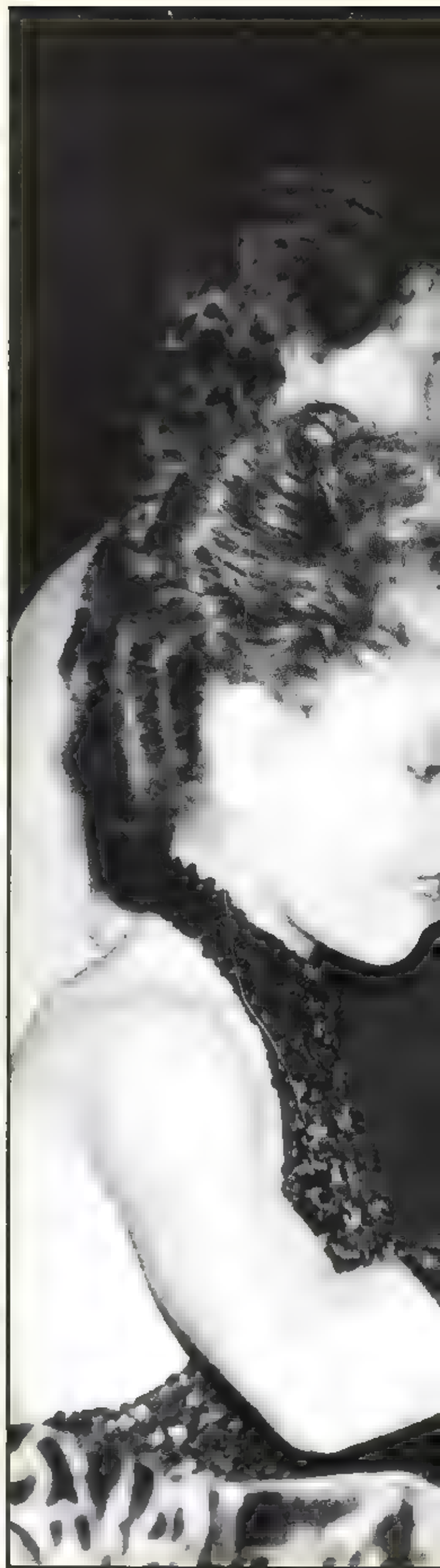
## Seating himself with Barry

Williams, George Thuxton takes a break from dancing. The prom was held in the Apparel Mart located at the corner of LBJ Freeway and Central Expressway. *Photo by John Holt*



## Looking over the meal with

her date, Rashundra Thompson samples the free food provided by the apparel Mart. Students were allowed to bring dates who were either out of school or attended other schools. *Photo by John Holt*



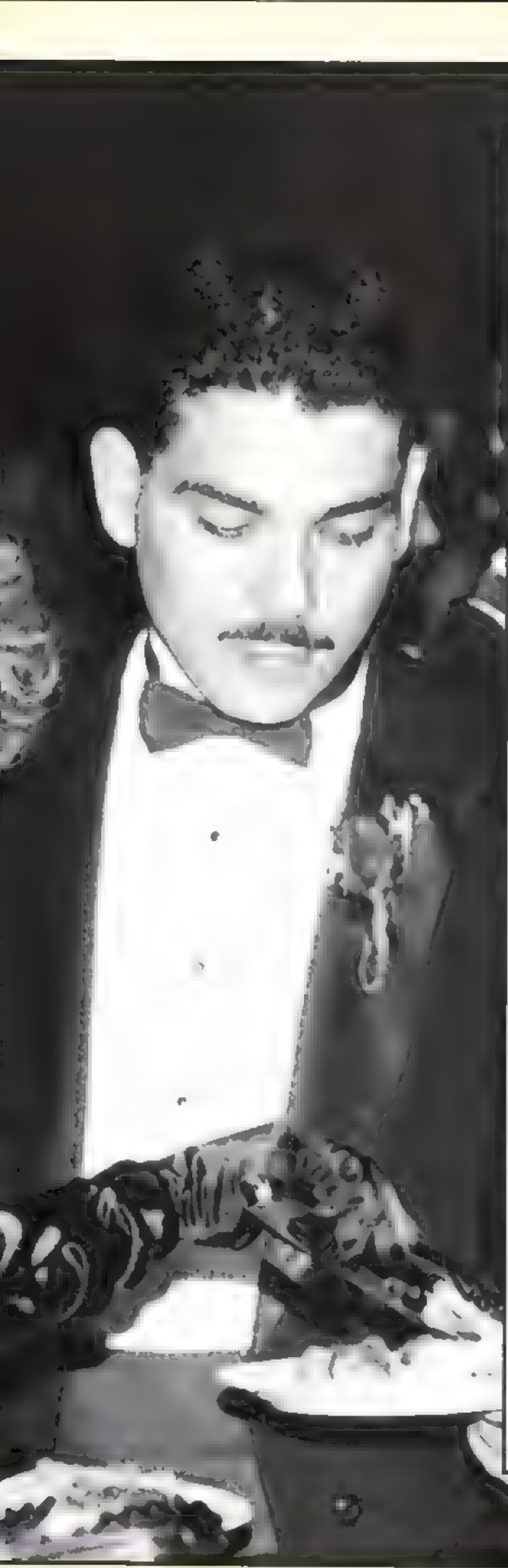
## Intent on watching

their friends on the senior walk, Shanan Crawley, Glenn Bright, and Megan Vance relax after their own walk. The walk began at nine and continued until eleven. *Photo by John Holt*

## Waiting in line for her

pictures, Tami Crutchfield practices her smile. Prom pictures began at 7:30 and continued through the evening. *Photo by John Holt*





# THE TIME OF YOUR LIFE

## SENIORS GATHER TO FEAST AND PARTY ON PROM NIGHT



Afterwards we went bowling and then to breakfast at a local church.

Our group went to eat at Baby Doe's before the prom and got our pictures taken as well," said Miylana Burch. "After the prom we changed and just ran around Mesquite and Dallas. I went to my boyfriend's parent's house and spent the rest of the weekend with them playing golf, tennis, and riding motorcycles.

Every person had something different that they would remember about the prom.

"I'll always remember Damon Wilson, Chris Zivney, Chris Limmer, and Keith Hopkins singing 'You've Lost That Loving Feeling' to the girls on the Texas Queen," Kim Rowe said.

"My date and I walked around the West End after the prom," said David Maddox. "People were cheering for us and giving us ratings. My date got a 10 but I got a 6."

"I'll remember my senior friends walking across the stage," said Kara Essman. "This was our last big time to shine in front of everyone, and everybody was so happy."

"I'll remember that I spent over three hundred dollars on this thing," Chris Schappaugh said.

"Nobody recognized me!" said Lori Weaterly. "That's pretty memorable."

"I'll always remember the romance of the night," said Rhonda Smith. "It seemed as if everyone was falling in love."

"I'll remember the dancing, the ballroom, the music — all of it!" said Genny Beaupré. "It was a great way to end four years of my school life."

*"The prom was one of those special times when I was having fun and nothing else mattered."*

*— Alex Martin*



## Slowed by Kim Cook on crutches,

Kristi Cook, Laurie Coronado, Wendy Cox, and Cliff Cogby file into Reunion Arena at the beginning of exercises. The 191 graduates require 20 minutes to take their tests, June 4.

## With his medallion around

his neck, Valedictorian Edward Baptism leaves the stage with his diploma clutched in his hand. Edward took extra honors courses to gain the top spot of the class and was a member of the White Quiz, Science Club, French Club and the National Honor Society.



## As honor cards in- dicate,

Michelle Chapman returns to her seat after receiving her diploma. Michelle graduated 25 in the class with highest honors.

## After receiving a congratulatory

handshake from Board of Education President Joe Ann Mackey, Holley Casey becomes an "Official 1988 Graduate." Only 11 students ranked higher than Holley, who enrolled at Eastfield College in the fall.





# Final Walk

## Graduates Trek to Reunion Arena for Final Chapter at NM

**A**t ten minutes after four, the setting at Reunion Arena, June 4, excited chatter comes to an end as the "late" ceremony finally begins. Seniors now realized that after their final walk it will be one of the last times they will be a complete group before everyone goes their separate ways, and that their high school days would be over.

"My first thought after walking across the stage during graduation was that I have finally finished high school and I can begin college," Deven Tenney said.

Leading off the ceremony was Superintendent, Dr. John Horn. According to Dr. Horn, the difference between the person ranked first in his class and the person who ranked last was "effort."

As the 2nd highest ranked person in the class, Salutatorian Christie Nguyen made her speech, she said, "Based on the TEAMS scores the State Board of Education called North Mesquite one of the best schools in Texas"; we had a 'winning tradition' to pass down because all classes leave a legacy," stating that she was very proud to be Salutatorian.

Number one in the class, Valedictorian Edward Baptista made his speech which stated, "Some day we will witness the graduation of our own sons and daughters, and we will recall this night as we see them."

*"... will witness the graduation of our sons and daughters."*

*— Edward Baptista*



## Fast gaits mark the entrance

of Keith Dalton and Brody Davis during the procession of graduation ceremonies, which began at 4:00 P.M. Saturday, June 4th. Outside traffic delayed the beginning of the exercise by 10 minutes.

## With a sign of relief

on his face, David Boudin returns to his place on Reunion Arena floor. David, who graduated 12 in his class, attends Texas Christian University and is an athletic trainer for the Horned Frogs.



## In her allotted three minutes,

Salutatory address Christine Nguyen urges her classmates to use their success in high school to set goals in life. Christine moved from fifth place at the end of her junior year to second in a year.

## Dressed in Hawaiian

wear, Jeff Smith and Leigh Ellis wost their turn for pictures at the "Last Night" senior party held at Racquetball Resorts. Swimming, dancing and casino gambling (with play money) were activities available at the 9:00 P.M. to 5:30 A.M. event following graduation, sponsored by senior parents.





# Last Night

## Senior Parents Put Together Late Night With Fun and Prizes

**W**e will say, "Yes, I have made a positive contribution to life." Announcing that the seniors were entitled to receive their diplomas, Principal John Campbell presented the Senior Class of 1988. A few students could barely wait for their turn on the stage. "My row began having fun the minute we received our diplomas," John Fornero said.

Celebrating really began at the "Last Date" party held at the Racquetball Club from 9:00 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. graduation night. Activities included a casino, swimming, racquetball, handwriting analysis, silhouette drawings and an auction. Play money was earned by winning it in the casino or getting it from parents patrolling the party. This money was used in the auction where a small refrigerator, an item useful in a college dormitory room, went for \$100,000.00. Valet parking was also provided by the parents.

"I loved the 'Last Date' party. There was so much food and games, prizes to win and things to do," Cathy Bowman said.

But the real party was at graduation where after one hour and 22 minutes, 630 seniors were graduated when Chris Zinney, who is last at everything, took his place on Reunion Arena floor and listened to Unity Choir sing the school song for the last time.

***"Yes, I have made a positive contribution to life."***

***— Christine Nguyen***



## Out of the Classroom

PEOPLE. We were the heart of the school. Whether we wore ropers, cheerleading uniforms, mini-skirts, or trench coats, we all made up a unique and varied student body. Our differences added another dimension to the

We were shown the realities of the real world through movies such as *Good Morning Vietnam* and *Fatal Attraction*. We remembered the past and anxiously looked toward the future.

As the Dallas Police faced mounting problems due to police shootings and lack of support in the community, the real world experience moved closer to us.

Aviation and Aerospace students flew to NASA in Houston and saw close up what may lie ahead for future travel. In the meantime, we enjoyed life and the relationships we shared with each other in our own world at NM.

Sharp and stiff, Deanna Hogan gives it her all during mock tryouts. This practice gives the girls a chance to perform in a pressure situation — just like tryouts. Photo by John Woolard



Waiting for the proceedings to begin, William Jackson and Debbie Edmundson talk about the upcoming events. A group of Business Law students took a trip to the courthouse to hear a trial and tour the jail. Photo by John Woolard



Jamie Watson





**Christy Abernathy** — Varsity Football/Basketball Trainer; FHA, Spanish Club.

**Roger Adams** — Soccer

**Kimberly Akin** — HECE, Acapella Choir; Chorale; FHA

**David Allen** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Football; FCA, Spanish Club, Powerlifting Team

**Brenda Almand** — JV Drill; Blue Brigade; Pacesetters, Spanish Club, Honor Roll

**Phillip Alonzo** — ICT, ROTC

**Armando Alvarez** — JV Soccer; Spanish Club; Weightlifting, Library Assistant

**Elizabeth Ardanowski** — President Symphonic Orchestra Blue Brigade, French Club; Science Club; Academic Decathlon, Public Relations Officer Honors Orchestra, NHS, Vice-President Honors Orchestra, All Year Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance 85-86

**Tammy Armstrong** — JV Drill; Blue Brigade, FHA

**Tabitha Avery**

**Tamara Axton** — FHA

**Karen Bailey** — Unity; Vice-President Chorale; Concert Choir; Vice-President Acapella Choir, JV Drill, Blue Brigade, FHA, Track

**Kathy Baird** — Honors Band, Symphonic Band; Big Blue, Rifle/Flag Corps, Historian Latin Club; FCA; FHA; Prom Council Powder Puff, NHS, All Year Honor Roll

**Denise Ball** — Tennis Team, Spanish Club.

**Miles Balthrop** — Powerlifting

**Rodney Bangs** — Debate

**Darla Bannister** — Choir, Concert Band; Symphonic Band; Big Blue, JV Drill; Pacesetters; Latin Club; FHA President, Science Club.

**Edward Baptista** — Valedictorian; NHS; All Year Honor Roll; French Club; Science Club; Whiz Quiz; Science Team, Math Team, JV, Cross Country/Track

**Roscina Basulto** — French Club, FHA, Just Say No

**Melinda Batson** — HOCT

**Tracy Baxter** — Spanish Club; Newspaper Staff

**Anthony Beary**

**Genevieve Beaupre** — Big Blue, Class President, FHA

**Kenneth Bellows** — Golf



## ALL THAT SENIOR STUFF

"the food for senior breakfast was the best I had eaten."

Kyle Herron

# A Last Meal



orty-five minutes into the senior breakfast, all the food had been devoured, save a pan of rolls.

On Wednesday, May 18, at 7:30 A.M. sleepy-eyed seniors filed into the cafeteria to stand in line for breakfast. Cafeteria workers served 85% of the senior class. The activity served as one of the last times seniors could fellowship and socialize together. Time was extended, and seniors did not return to 1st period until 9:00 A.M.

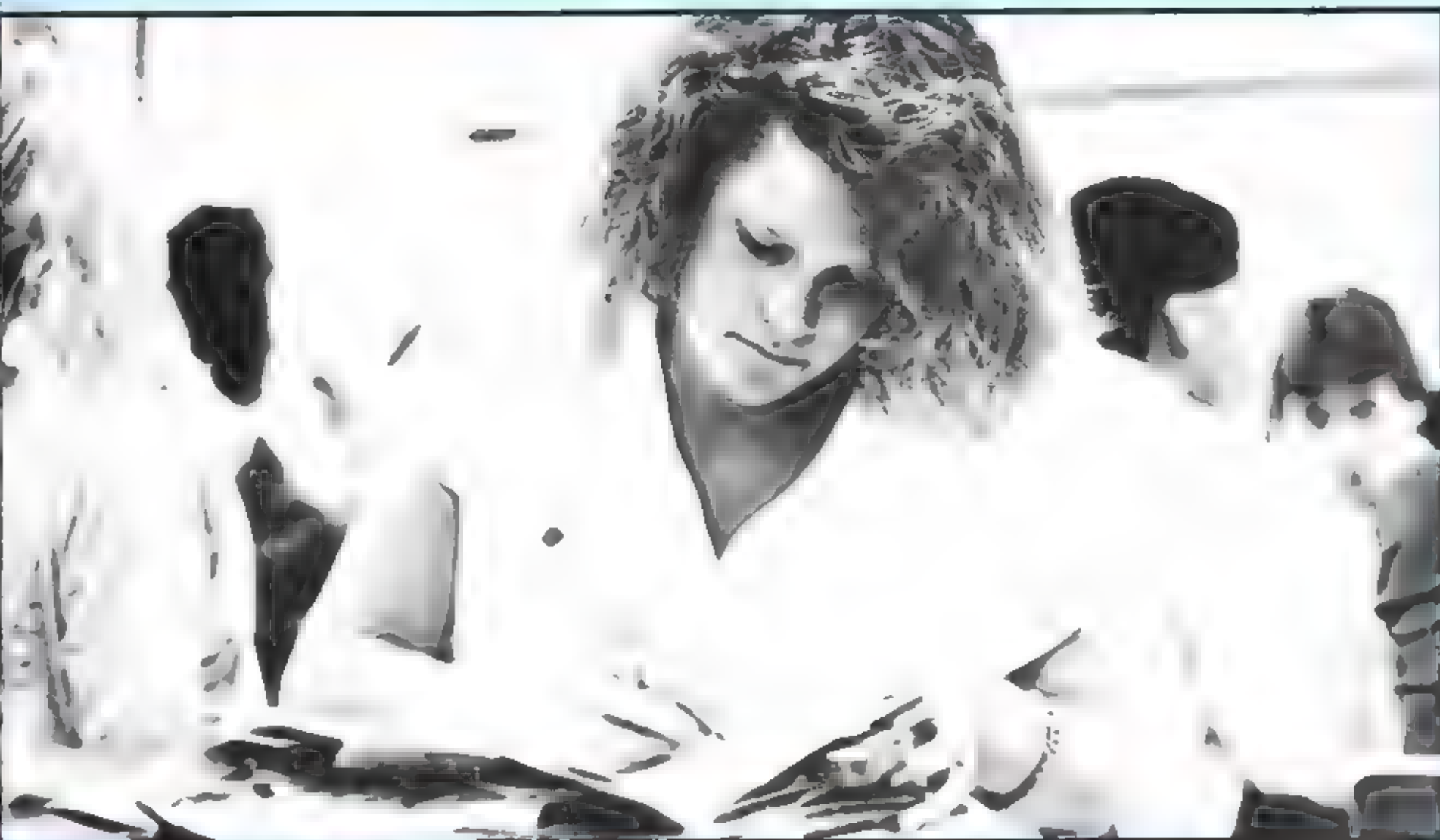
"The food for senior breakfast was the best I had eaten in the cafeteria all year long," Kyle Herron said.

"It was very crowded, but the atmosphere was

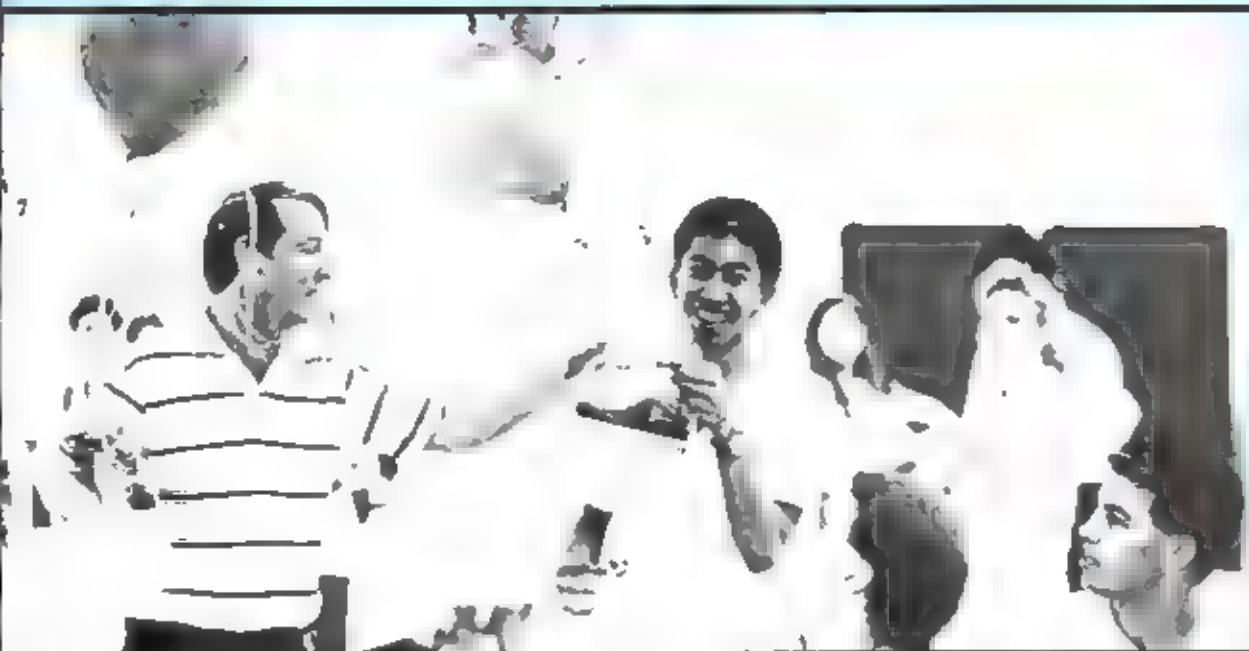
great," George Thixton said.

An unsuspecting Edward Baptista sat in a chair with a sticker on the bottom of it that named Baptista as the winner of the door prize. It was fitting that the valedictorian should win the door prize a centerpiece of balloons and bread.

Amy Heaps said, "It was really nice for the cafeteria workers to fix the breakfast for us. It was one of our last events together before graduation. The senior breakfast gave us, as a class, time together. The food was very good, but the socializing and time away from class was great, too. I had a great time."



During the senior breakfast Casey Rawls uses the extra time to sign a friend's senior book. Students arrived at the cafeteria around 7:30 am and did not return to class until 9:00 am during first period. *Photo by Ron Taylor.*



After winning the door prize, Coach Brinkley gives Edward Baptista a centerpiece of balloons and a basket full of bread. *Photo by Ron Taylor.*



# Finally — A Senior

**L**ines formed at the book room Friday May 27 and Tuesday May 31 for the 591 seniors to receive caps and gowns for Baccalaureate and graduation.

"It felt funny when I received my cap and gown because I never realized Graduation was so close," John Fornero said.

Orders were placed in early January when the second semester began. Cap and gowns were \$12.50 and an extra tassel was \$7.50.

"I finally began to realize I was a senior when I was measured for my cap and gown," Michelle Chapman said.

After graduation the seniors lined up to turn in their gowns, but the cap could be kept as a memento.

Holley Casey said, "My cap is something that I can always keep and remember my graduation. It is something I will always treasure."



## ALL THAT SENIOR STUFF

"when I received my cap and gown I realized how close graduation was."

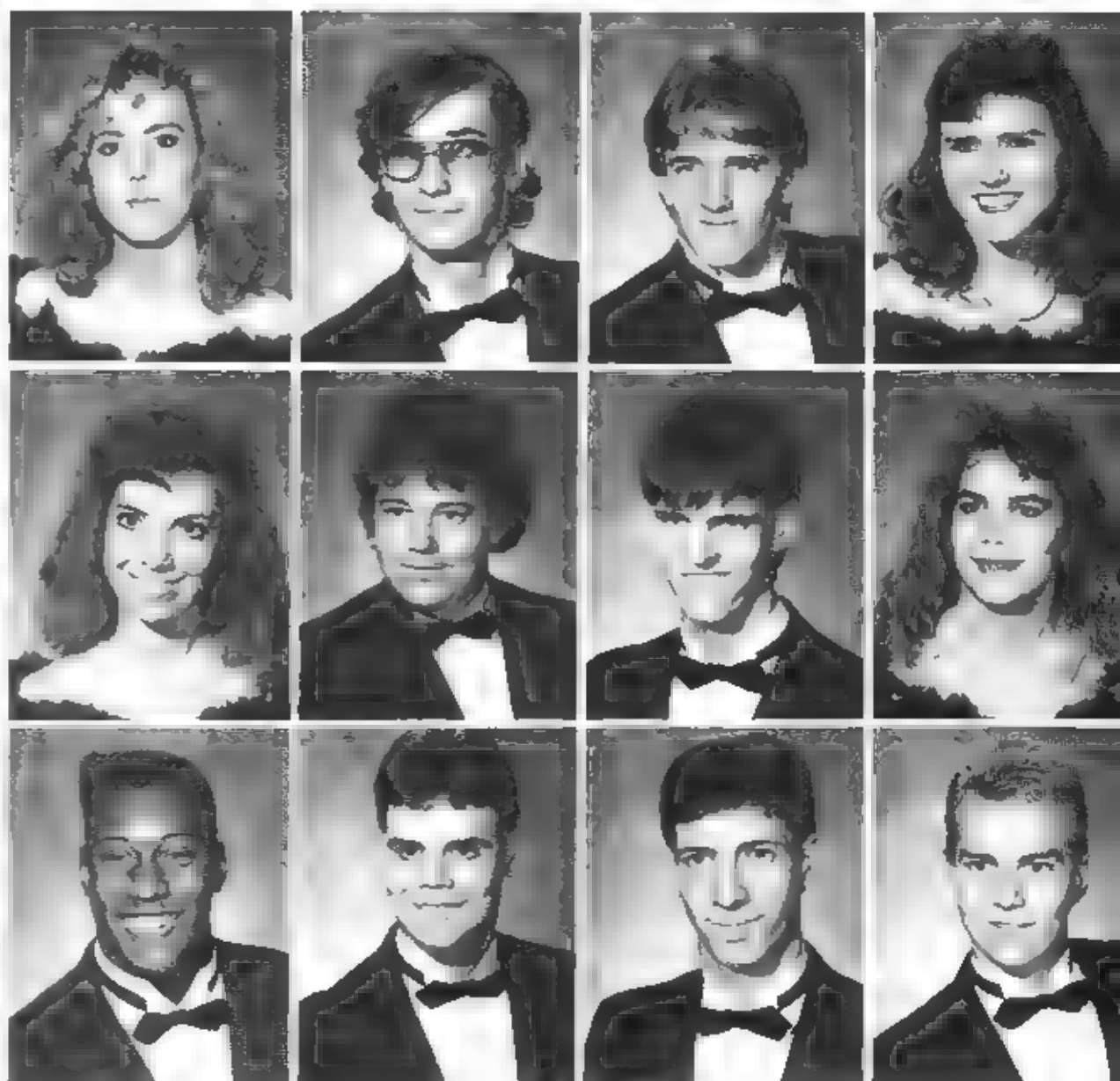
Cindy  
Johnson

**Just an exact fit** — Scott Whitaker tries on his cap after picking it up along with his gown on Friday, May 27. Scott was one of the 591 Seniors who crossed the stage on Saturday June 4th at Reunion Arena.

Carol Berg — Varsity Swimming, French Club  
Terry Beshers — FHA, HECE, Stallion Battalion  
Robert Beyer — DECA  
Angela Bilyeu — Blue Brigade, Vice President YAC, FHA

Darla Blackman — Volleyball, DE I, II  
Alfred Blaylock  
Victor Blaylock — Football, Varsity Track, FHA, FCA  
Ashley Boling — Track, JV Drill, Blue Brigade, FCA

Joe Bowden — FCA, Fresh, JV, Varsity Football, Junior Favorite, Principal's Award  
David Bowdoin — Fresh, JV, Varsity Football Treasurer, Fresh, Varsity Baseball Trainer, FCA, Latin Club Historian, NHS Science Club, All Year Honor Roll  
Steve Bowen — Football, Basketball, Track, Cross Country  
Evan Bowery — JV, Varsity Baseball





**Cathy Bowman** — Class Representative HOCT NHS

**Julie Branson** — Pacesetter, JV Drill, Blue Brigade, Spanish Club, All Year Honor Roll, NHS, FHA

**Glenn Bright** — Honors Band, Chorale, Honors Orchestra, Symphonic Band, Honors Orchestra

**Jenifer Brooks** — French Club, Blue Brigade, Science Club, Speech Club

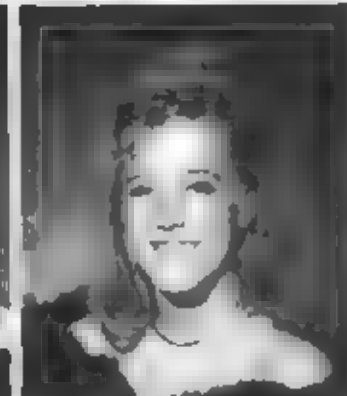


**Brian Brown** — FHA, Spanish Club, Cross Country, Technical Theater, OEA

**Christi Brown** — Track, Cross Country, HOCT I, FCA, HOSA

**Karlene Brown** — Symphonic, Honor Orchestra, Symphonic, Jazz, Honor Band, All Year Honor Roll, NHS, Academic Decathlon, Latin Club, Science Club

**Troy Brown**



**Chris Broyles** — Band, German Club

**Christina Bruffy** — FHA

**Milayna Burch** — Varsity Basketball, Varsity Track, Spanish Club, FCA, NHS

**Wendy Burkhart** — Fresh, JV Cheerleader, Pacesetter, Lieutenant, Spanish Club, Blue Brigade, Vice President FHA



**Tracy Burns** — HECE, FHA, VOE, OEA

**Jennifer Burross** — Track, VOE

**Robert Cain** — Stallion Battalion, FHA

**Maura Canty** — JV Drill, Blue Brigade, FHA, Spanish Club



**Melissa Capps**

**Jason Carney** — Fresh Basketball, Debate, National Forensic League, Academic Decathlon

**Scott Carpenter** — ROTC, Battalion Commander

**Janet Carr** — JV Drill, Blue Brigade, Varsity Track, FHA, Spanish Club



**Damon Carter** — Varsity Athletic Trainer, JV Football Trainer, Latin Club, FHA, ROTC

**Jerrese Carwile**

**Melanie Cary** — Girls Varsity Basketball Trainer

**Holley Casey** — Assistant Editor Yearbook, NHS, Cheerleader Manager, Reporter OEA, Science Club, Spanish Club, All Year Honor Roll



Larry Cassady  
 Robin Causey — *Big Blue*  
 Richard Cervantes — *Varsity Football*  
 Brian Chapman — *Fresh, Varsity Football, Varsity Track; JV Baseball*

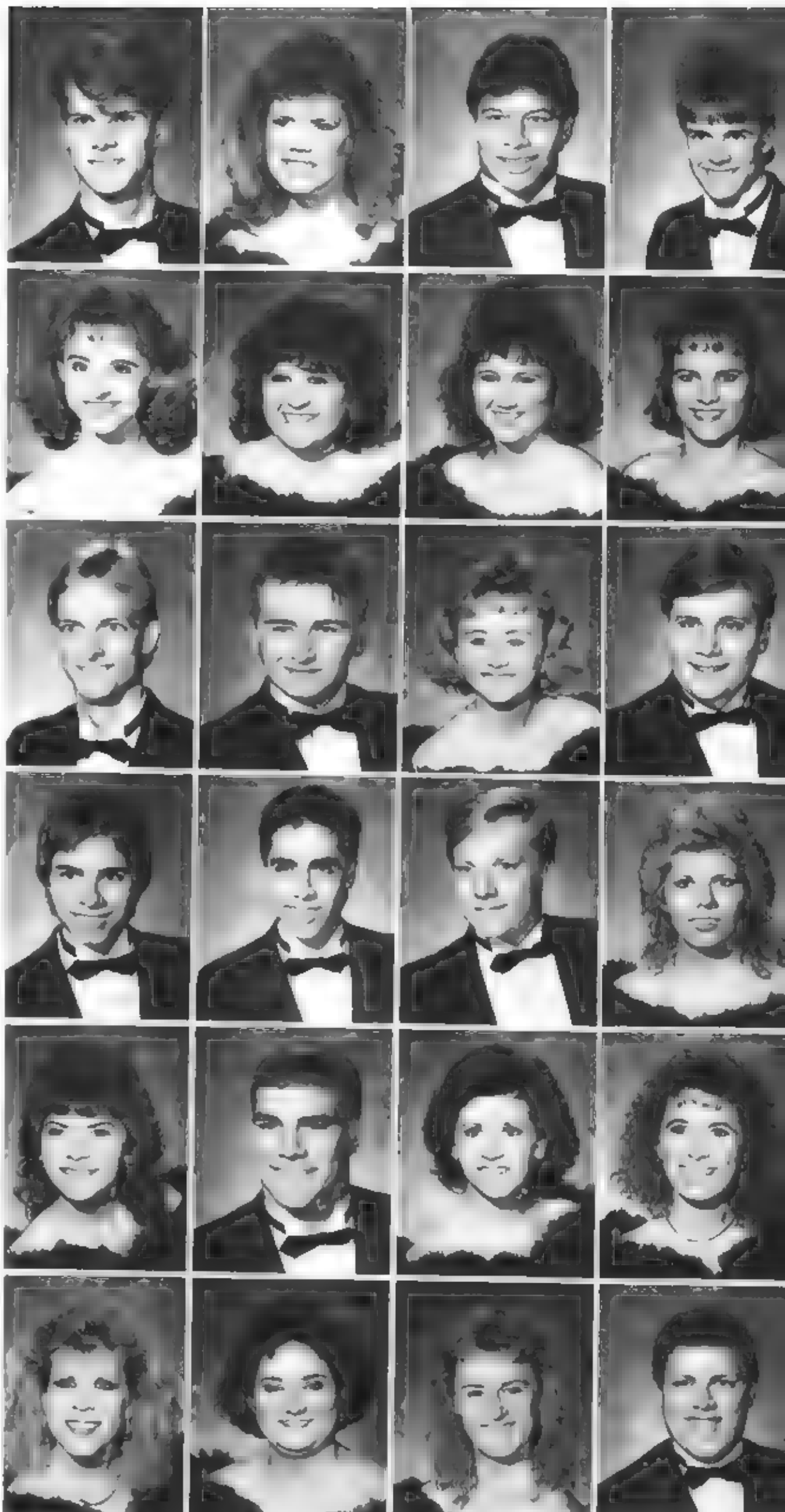
Georgia Chapman — *Editor-in-Chief Trailblazer; FCA, NHS, JV Volleyball; Track; French Club, Just Say No; All Year Honor Roll*  
 Carrie Charles — *FHA, HECE*  
 Jennifer Christian — *Concert Choir; Treasurer Acapella Choir; Varsity Swimming, FCA; FCM, Science Club, Math Club; Latin Club, NHS, All Year Honor Roll*  
 Sonya Clark — *Soccer; Track; Blue Brigade, FHA, President HECE*

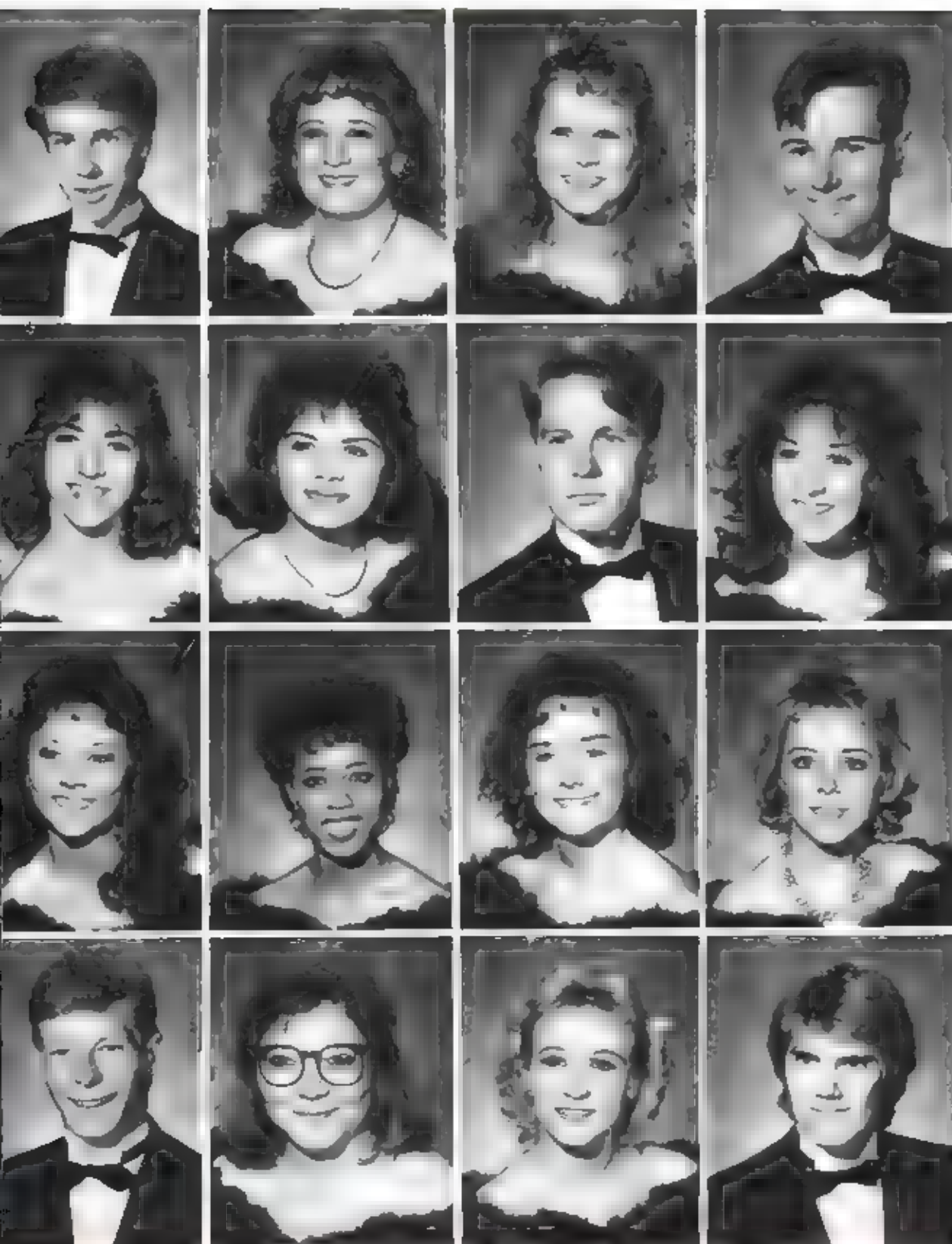
Kelly Clements — *Varsity Baseball; Fresh Basketball; NHS Spanish Club; FCA Science Club*  
 Jamie Coker — *Varsity Football; FCA; FHA*  
 Joanie Coker — *Blue Brigade; JV Drill; OEA; VOE, FCA, FHA; Just Say No*  
 Larry Colgrove — *Big Blue; Symphonic Band; Honor Band; Jazz Band, Symphonic Orchestra, Acapella Choir; Chorale, Unity, FCM, Latin Club*

Gary Collins — *Spanish Club*  
 Jesse Colwill — *Spanish Club; Art Club; NHS, Fresh Basketball*  
 Christopher Conger — *Fresh, JV Football*  
 Jennifer Conley — *French Club; Manager Football; FHA*

Brenda Cook — *Art Club; Blue Brigade; Spanish Club, Science Club*  
 Charles Cook — *Fresh, Varsity Football; Student Council; FCA NHS*  
 Katrese Cook — *Symphonic Orchestra; Honors Orchestra, Spanish Club, Treasurer Honors Orchestra*  
 Kimberly Cook — *JV Drill, Blue Brigade; Pacemaker*

Lori Coronado — *Pony Express Staff; JV Soccer; FCA*  
 Cathy Coursey — *Fresh Basketball; Manager Varsity Basketball VOE*  
 Wendy Cox — *Fresh Basketball; DE-I, FCA, DECA, Blue Brigade*  
 Cliff Cozby — *ROTC*





**Stephen Crabtree** — *Orchestra President, NHS; Academic Decathlon; All-Region Orchestra; French Club*  
**Judith Cram** — *FHA*  
**Cari Cranfill** — *FHA, JV Drill, Pacesetter Manager, Blue Brigade*  
**Brad Criswell** — *Thespians*

**Jeanine Cross** — *Concert, Acapella Choir; Chorale, Track*  
**Ronald Crow** — *Swim Team, Spanish Club*  
**Maribel Crow**  
**Christia Crum**

**Corrina Crump** — *Blue Brigade; Spanish Club*  
**Tammy Crutchfield** — *Track; Prom Council; Student Council; Basketball Manager; All Year Honor Roll*  
**Lisa Cummings** — *Pacesetter; JV Drill; Blue Brigade; French Club; Art Club*  
**Melissa Cunha** — *Art Club, DECA, FHA*

**Wesley Cunningham** — *Football, Basketball, Soccer, Track Trainer, Latin Club, NHS*  
**Laura Curtis** — *Concert Choir; Concert, Symphonic, Big Blue Band*  
**Laura Daily**  
**James Dalton**

## SENIOR STAFF

"senior pictures will remind me what a great time i had being a 1988 nm stallion senior!"

Julie Branson

# Watch The Birdie



As the minutes ticked away, the lines grew longer, and the heat in the auditorium became unbearable. It was not students waiting in a ticket line for a concert, or even graduation practice, this was senior picture day.

Senior pictures were taken September 19, 26, and October 3. "For me it was worth the wait because every time you look at your senior pictures you always think of the great times you had throughout your high school years," Julie Branson said.

The average cost of senior pictures was \$100 to \$200.

Glen Ellerbrock said, "The effort and expense put into senior pictures are important because in forty years, when I am old and bald, I will need the pictures to remember how cute I used to be."



**While registering** for their pictures, Kim Watwood and Leslie Cooper keep their spirits high as they wait to have their picture taken. *Photo by John Woolard*



# Two Steps Left

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hearsal took a little longer, twice as long actually, but after two re-shots seniors got the hang of it and were ready for the 4:00 P.M. Baccalaureate ceremony Sunday, May 30.

As the seniors began to take their places, Lou Ann Wimberly played the processional. "I was nervous marching in because I thought our rows would mess up," Cindy Kilpatrick said.

An opening prayer was given by board member Jerry Stroud and Reverend Don C. Brown of Shiloh Terrace Baptist Church began his sermon.

"The rewards may be at the end, but the joy comes from the journey," he said as he encouraged the seniors to realize that graduation is special, but the memories come from the four years of hard work.

"The sermon was very special to me, for it brought back a lot of memories," Jerrese Carwile said.

Chorale ended the ceremony at 4:30 P.M. with a hymn and the week before graduation began. "For me Baccalaureate meant that graduation was only a week away and that my year as a senior was coming to an end," Keith Wilkins said.



## ALL THAT SENIOR STUFF

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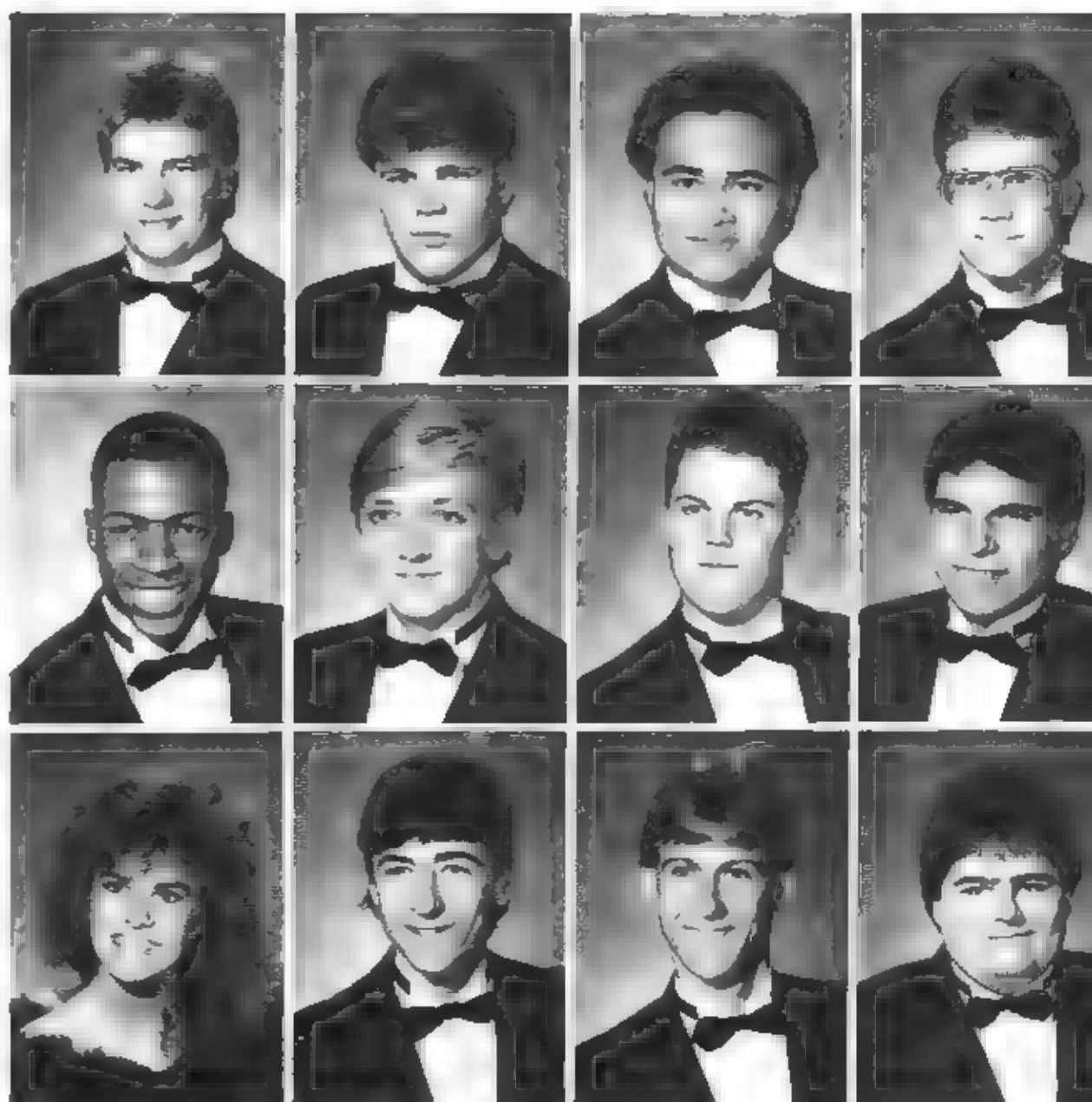
Keith  
Wilkins

Leading her line from the auditorium, Lacy Williams makes her way to the gym to practice once again. Baccalaureate practice was held on Friday May 27 at 8:00 A.M. in the auditorium.

Brody Davis — Football; FHA  
Shane Davis — Fresh, JV, Varsity Football; FHA, FCA  
Arvin De La Cruz  
Jeffrey Dennis

Terrence Denson — ROTC; Basketball  
Marvin Dewolfe — Theatrics; Concert, Symphonic, Big Blue Band  
Daryl Dial  
Morton Diaz — Fresh, JV, Varsity Football; Basketball; Baseball; JV, Varsity Soccer; FCA, FHA President; French Club

Amy Dickey — Fresh, JV, Varsity Head Cheerleader, Homecoming Queen, Blue Brigade; NHS; HOSA; All Year Honor Roll; Prom Committee; Spanish Club  
Trent Donohue — DECA, Basketball Manager  
Morris Doolin — Basketball  
Robert Dotson — HECE; FHA





**Tammy Driggers** — JV Drill; Blue Brigade Pacesetters; FHA, Spanish Club, Thespians  
**Keith Duckworth**  
**Brian Duggan** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Football; Powerlifting, FCA, Spanish Club; Science Club, NHS; All Year Honor Roll  
**Chris Dunaway** — Swim Team Captain, NHS



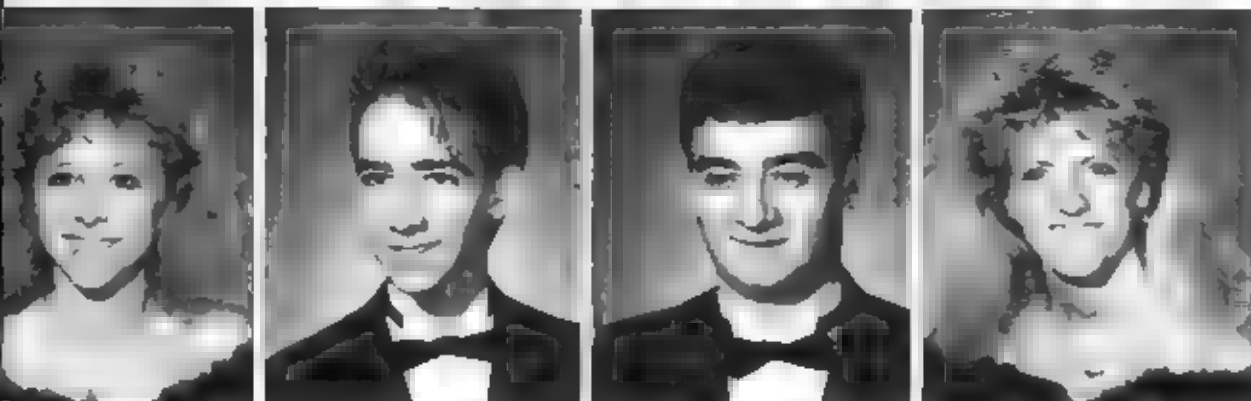
**Brian Duncan** — ROTC; French Club  
**Dawn Dunn**  
**James Dunn** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Football; Basketball; French Club; FCA, VOE  
**John Dunn** — Track; Fresh, JV, Varsity Football; Basketball; French Club



**Timothy Eames** — French Club, CVAE, HECE  
**Rebecca Eason** — FHA, FCA; Basketball, Spanish Club  
**Debbie Edmundson** — Treasurer Chorale, Thespian Treasurer; Unity; Art Club, Science Club, NHS  
**Leigh Edwards** — JV Drill; Blue Brigade, VOE, OEA, FHA



**Eric Elder** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Football; FCA, Spanish Club  
**Michael Elkin** — Football  
**Michael Ellerbrock** — NHS  
**Sophia Ellis** — FCA, Secretary Latin Club; NHS, Pacesetters



**Juli Elliott** — Singers Secretary Choir; FHA, Chorale  
**Micheal Ennis** — French Club, Fresh Track, Academic Decathlon, Newspaper Staff  
**Sergio Espinosa** — French Club, Drama Club, Newspaper Staff, Science Club  
**Kara Essman** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Volleyball; Spanish Club, FCA, NHS, Musical Grease



**Holly Ethridge** — French Club; NHS; JV Drill; Acapella Choir; Secretary Chorale, Unity  
**Kimberly Ewing** — JV Drill, FHA, Latin Club, DECA, Blue Brigade  
**Daniel Farina**  
**Melissa Fecko** — Newspaper Staff, Literary Magazine, Big Blue, Art Club, Blue Brigade



**Richard Feemster**

**Lisa Finch** — *JV Varsity Soccer*

**Christi Flint** — *JV Soccer, VOE, Spanish Club*

**Robert Flowers** — *Big Blue, Science Club*



**Tina Foley** — *JV Drill, Blue Brigade, HIOCT*

**John Fornero** — *Fresh, JV Varsity Football, NHS, French Club, Student Council, Powerlifting Team, Regional Science Fair Winner, Sports Editor Yearbook Staff, Orchestra, FCA*

**Jackie Foshee** — *Whiz Quiz, Spanish Club, Acapella Choir, Chorale, OFA, VOE, French Club*

**Carolynn Foster** — *Blue Brigade, JV Drill, Percussion, French Club*



**Jimmy Foster** — *FHA, DECA*

**Melinda Foster** — *HECE, FHA*

**Stephen Foster** — *Band*

**Scott Fothergill** — *Football, Soccer, Baseball*



**Kimberly Frank** — *Concert, Symphonic, Honor Band, Spanish Club*

**Lisa Freeman** — *Newspaper, Spanish Club, All Year Honor Roll, FCA*

**Sean Freeman**

**Jason Frith** — *Spanish Club, NHS, JV, Varsity Football, All Year Honor Roll, Academic Decathlon, Science Club*



**Tammy Fuller** — *JV, Varsity Soccer, Varsity Track, FCA, Spanish Club, Blue Brigade, VICA Sweetheart, DECA, Debate, Speech Club*

**Christie Gambill** — *Track, Swimming, FHA, DECA, Newspaper Staff*

**Wendy Gardner** — *FHA, DE I, II, Soccer Trainer, Weightlifting*

**Jeanna Garvin** — *Varsity Track, Varsity Cross Country, Spanish Club*



**Gilbert Garza** — *JV, Varsity Football, FCA, Aerospace/Aviation, Student Council, Honor Roll, Powerlifting*

**Stephen Geron** — *President, German Club, Honors Band, Track, Honors Orchestra*

**Sherri Giles** — *Fresh, JV Basketball, Spanish Club, Blue Brigade, Latin Club*

**Steve Gilispie** — *Speech Club, Spanish Club, Stallion Battalion, VICA, Basketball*



"sometimes they're overrated, but they're important — especially to share graduation with your family."

# One Step Closer

**W**ith June 4 approaching seniors prepared for the Big Day. GRADUATION On, Thursday, January 14, seniors lined up in the foyer outside the auditorium to order the infamous graduation announcements. Three packages were offered to students ranging in price from \$51.40 for a mini package, \$66.35 for the essential package, to \$80.65 for the senior package. Individual items were also available for order. Announcements were yet another cost of being a senior.

After being delivered on April 25 and 26, the name card swapping began. "Getting other seniors' name cards is traditional. People run

around the halls asking for each other's cards," Holley Casey said.

Kim Rasaw said, "I can't wait to get my senior package next year because it gives you a chance to get all your pictures together from previous years and it makes graduation seem that much closer."

Most seniors also purchased a memory book with their package. Pages were filled, taped, and glued with four years worth of memories combined in one scrapbook. John Fornero said, "Announcements and the senior book make graduation something tangible with a specific date and time. It brought us that much closer to the big day."



**Looking through** their senior memory book, Christy McCollum, Chris McSorley, Juli Elliott, and Tricia Lawson swap name cards and compare announcement packages. Three different announcement packages were available. *Photo by John Holt*

**Searching for his number,** Travis Seem gets his senior package from the boxes on April 25. Announcements were delivered April 25th and 26th. *Photo by John Holt*



**Kenneth Goolsby**

**Misti Goodman** — Varsity Basketball; NHS; Honor Roll 3 years; Student Council; Prom Council; Tennis; FCA.

**Jeffery Good** — Fresh, Varsity Football; Sophomore Vice-President; Junior Vice-President; Student Council; French Club; Powerlifting; Prom Council.

**Gregory Good** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Football; Sophomore, Junior President; Student Council; Prom Council; NHS; French Club; Sports Editor, Pony Express; Powerlifting; All-Year Honor Roll.



**Barbara Gonzalez** — Spanish Club; FHA.

**Anna Gonzalez** — JV Drill; Varsity Soccer.

**Timothy Glasson** — Spanish Club; Science Club; FCA; NHS; All-Year Honor Roll; Track, Cross-Country.

**Tricia Gordon** — Choir, Fresh Cheerleader, FHA, HECE.





# MORE SCHOOLING

With 67% planning to attend some kind of college, seniors began to make decisions about their future education.

"UCLA and USC have the best film schools in the country, so after I attend the University of North Texas for one year I plan to transfer to one of those schools," David Maddox said.

"I've planned to attend college since I've been in school, Texas U maybe" Michelle Chapman said.

While the seniors began their last year of high school, many of them prepared to begin their first year of college. First decision to be made was where they would attend. "I chose Southern Methodist University because I liked their good academics and the location also played a big part in my decision" Michelle Jeffery said.

Some seniors chose to leave Texas so that they could go to schools that offered more than Texas

schools. "I am originally from Minnesota, so I wanted to attend a college near there. I chose Iowa State University because it is in a small city and has an Air Force ROTC," Travis Steen said.

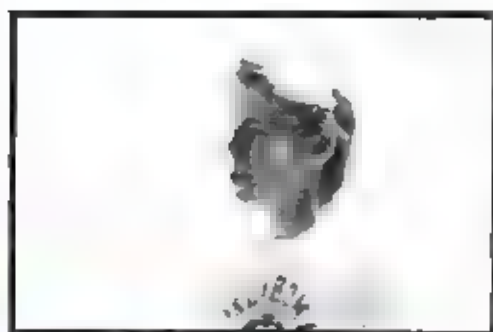
After deciding on a college, another decision was the funding, parents provided the largest amounts, but scholarships and grants also helped. "I have received a Presidential Scholarship from Lee College in Tennessee, but I have also worked to save money to go," Cynthia Kilpatrick said.

"My college is offering me financial aid through their office," Alana Rattan said.

David Maddox said, "I am going to work hard to go to UCLA or USC. I don't mind working so that I can reach my goal."

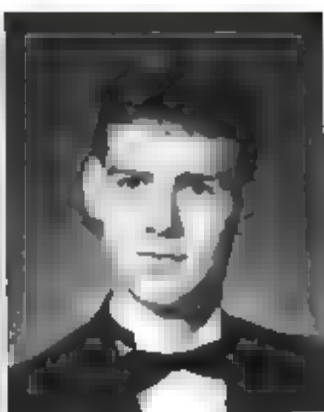
"I looked for a college that had a good meteorology degree and an Air Force ROTC."

— Travis Steen



Looking over the local scholarship applications and directories, Lee Ann Henrie, Cindy Johnson, and Kim Williams discuss the requirements to apply.





**Karla Goss** — *Honors Band, NHS, Latin Club, Science Club, Orchestra*

**Scott Graham** — *Big Blue, Spanish Club, ICT, VICA*

**Lannie Gray**

**Deborah Greer** — *Soccer, JV Drill, Science Club, Latin Club, FCM, Honors Orchestra, Jazz Band, Blue Brigade*



**Dana Grinstead** — *Secretary Acapella Choir, Vice-President FHA, HOCT*

**Meredith Groesbeck** — *Fresh Volleyball, Student Council, Math Club, Science Club, NHS*

**Paul Gunder** — *Orchestra, Track, Football, Spanish Club*

**Kellie Gunn** — *Track, Cross Country, FCA, FHA*



**Jennifer Haas** — *Fresh, JV, Varsity Basketball, Track*

**Kimberly Hall** — *Spanish Club, MDE*

**D'Juan Hamilton** — *Honors Band, Secretary Big Blue, Lieutenant Flag Corps, Latin Club, Concert Band, All Year Honor Roll, Science Club*

**Shelly Hanson** — *FHA, Band*



**Bradley Hargis**

**Stacy Harris**

**Tina Harrison** — *All Year Honor Roll, Honors Band, Spanish Club, Big Blue*

**Brad Hartsfield** — *ICT*



**Mary Harwerth** — *Secretary Choir, Chorale, Track, Cross Country, Fresh Basketball, French Club, NHS, Musical Guys and Dolls, All Region Choir*

**Linda Hawkins** — *Spanish Club, Blue Brigade, JV Drill, Pacesetters*

**Errol Haynes** — *Big Blue, NHS, Symphonic Band, Treasurer Spanish Club*

**Christina Hazelwood** — *JV Drill, Blue Brigade, Pacesetters, French Club, FHA, Speech Club*



**Amy Heaps** — *Fresh, JV Cheerleader, Blue Brigade, Prom Council, Spanish Club, FHA, Yearbook Staff*

**Amy Hearn** — *FHA, Blue Brigade, JV Drill, Pacesetters, Spanish Club, Science Club*

**Larry Heath** — *Varsity Track, Varsity Cross Country*

**Ginger Heflin** — *Varsity Manager Basketball*



**Trevina Height** — FHA, JV Drill, Blue Brigade, French Club, Just Say No

**William Hendrix** — ICT, Roden Team

**Cathy Henrie** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Cheerleader, Blue Brigade, Homecoming Court, Latin Club, NHS, Prom Council

**Kristi Henry** — VOB

**Adam Hernandez**

**Johnny Hernandez** — Fresh, JV Football, MDT

**Terry Hernandez**

**Vanessa Hernandez** — JV Drill, Blue Brigade, IHOF, FHA, Spanish Club, Prom Council

**Kyle Herron** — Yearbook Staff, Student Council, symphonic, Honors Band, French Club

**Leslie Hickey** — All Year Honor Roll, Prom Council, NHS, Vice President Spanish Club, Powder Puff Football

**Jessie Hill** — Varsity Soccer, Spanish Club

**Richard Hinshaw**

**Amy Hiser** — Track, FHA

**Nathan Hoang** — NHS, Art Club, Science Club, All Year Honor Roll

**Franklin Hogan**

**Sherri Hogue** — Honor Orchestra, Pinsetter Manager, JV Drill, YAC, Spanish Club, Blue Brigade, Soccer

**Holli Holbrook** — Blue Brigade, JV Drill Team, French Club, FHA, OEA

**Wade Hollingsworth** — Fresh Football, Athletic Trainer — Basketball, Football

**Bryon Hopkins** — ICT, VICA

**Phillip Hopkins** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Basketball, President Acappella Choir, President Cheval, Unity, Secretary, Student Council

**Cynthia Horton** — Varsity Basketball, Latin Club

**Andy Hubacek** — Track, French Club

**Jaavier Hudson** — Spanish Club, Basketball

**Jeannine Hunt** — Blue Brigade, JV Drill, Spanish Club, FHA



The variety of food is good.  
— Kenny Taylor



# DOSE OF BLUE



With new colors  
and a new look,  
the cafeteria fed  
over 1000 students.

As the students walked into the cafeteria, they were greeted with a dose of blue and white. New painted murals spell out "Stallions" as arrows point the way in. A stallion was painted inside the 'O,' in an effort to increase school spirit.

"I think the painting makes the whole cafeteria look brighter," Jennifer Kofahl said.

While enjoying the new look, students waited in lines to eat their favorite foods such as pizza, fries, and chicken fried steak — an NM classic.

"I don't mind waiting in line for pizza because it's the best," Russell Lewallen said.

To eat their favorite foods, students usually spend \$50-2.50 on their lunch. "It depends on what they have, but if I like what they are having I spend \$1.80," Christi Terry said.

"I usually eat a candy bar, so mine only costs \$.50," Kelly Talent said.

Lance Lancaster said, "I enjoy the food in the cafeteria because the ladies make it fairly good, and the decorations help too."



**Malee Hunter** — Mascot, German club, ROTC  
**Stacy Hyatt** — Honor and Symphonic Band, Spanish club secretary, NHS  
**Todd Iacolino** — YAC, French club, Aviation and Aerospace  
**Kari Jackson** — Spanish Club



**William Jackson** — Basketball, Football, Spanish FCA  
**Jeffery James** — Stallion Battalion  
**Tammie Janca** — Big Blue, J.V. Drill, Pacesetter, French Club  
**Shannon Jenkins** — Track



**Russell Jimmerson** — Football  
**Cindy Johnson** — Freshman and J.V. Cheerleader, Blue Brigade, French Club, Junior Class Secretary, FHA, President NHS  
**Deborah Johnson** — Trainer, FCA, FHA, Blue Brigade, Spanish Club  
**Tommy Johnson** — Track

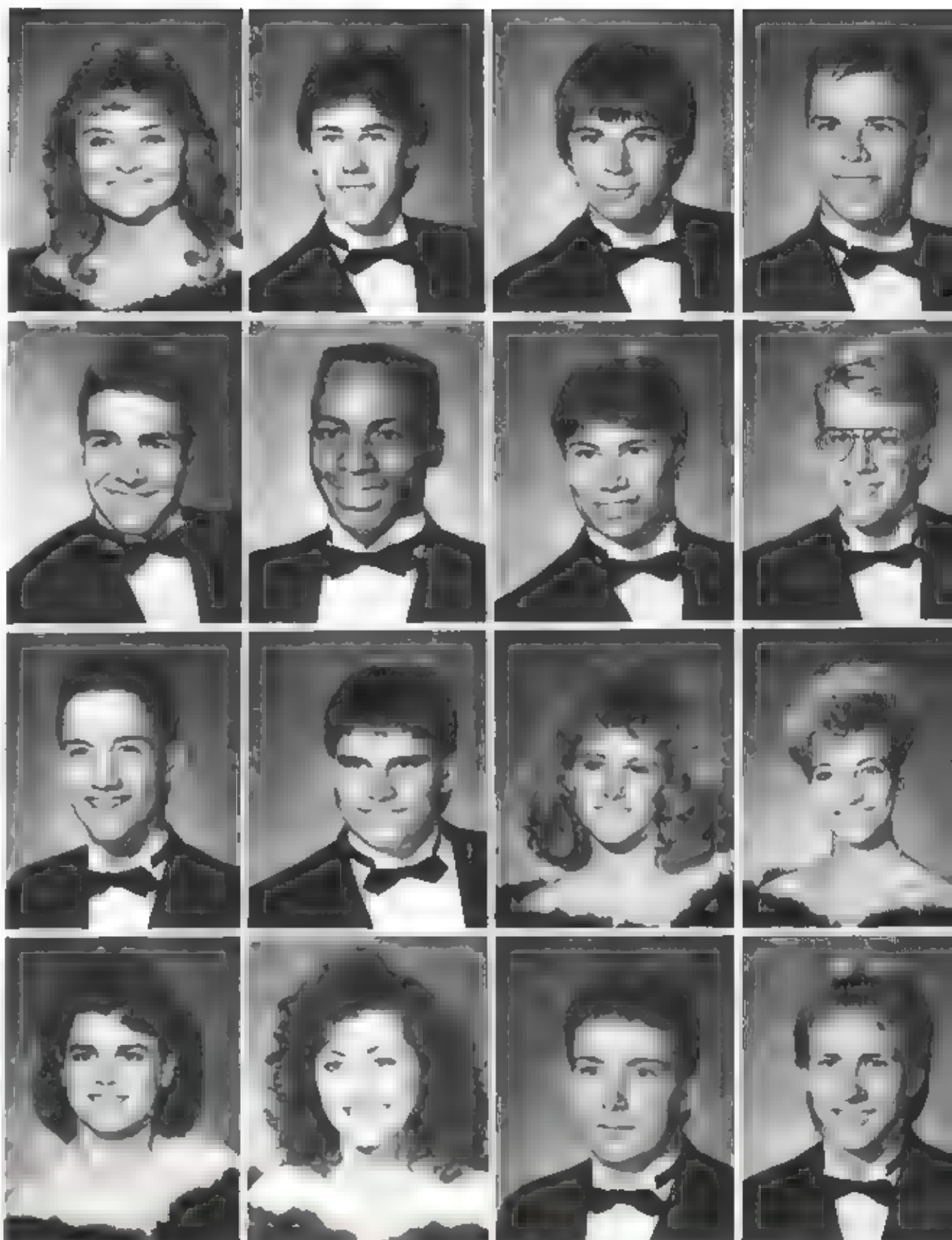


**Ginger Jolley** — HECE I, FHA.  
**Jason Jones** — JV, Varsity Soccer.  
**Mark David Jones** — FCA; Golf, Fresh, JV, Varsity Football, Spanish Club  
**Mark Jones** — ROTC

**Mitchell Jones** — Fresh Football; JV, Varsity Soccer  
 FHA  
**Robert Jones** — FCA, Varsity Football, Varsity Track  
 Mr. NMHS.  
**Steven Jones** — Powerlifting  
**Troy Kane** — Fresh Basketball; FHA, HOCT.

**Jonathon Karlin** — French Club; Fresh Football  
**Brandon Kaufman**  
**Donna Kautzsch** — Fresh, JV Cheerleader; Sophomore Class Secretary; NHS; Spanish Club, Blue Brigade, Pacesetters Lt., Student Council Prom Council; All-Year Honor Roll  
**Melissa Kay** — Fresh, JV Volleyball; Varsity Track, Pacesetters, FCA; Spanish Club, Art Club

**Wendy Kelly** — Debate Treasurer; German Club Secretary, Science Club  
**Jayneen Kennedy** — Soccer; Spanish Club, JV Drill; Just Say NO.  
**Kristopher Kidd** — ROTC Rifle Team, Aviation Aerospace  
**Stephen Killingsworth** — Spanish Club; Baseball; Basketball; Soccer.



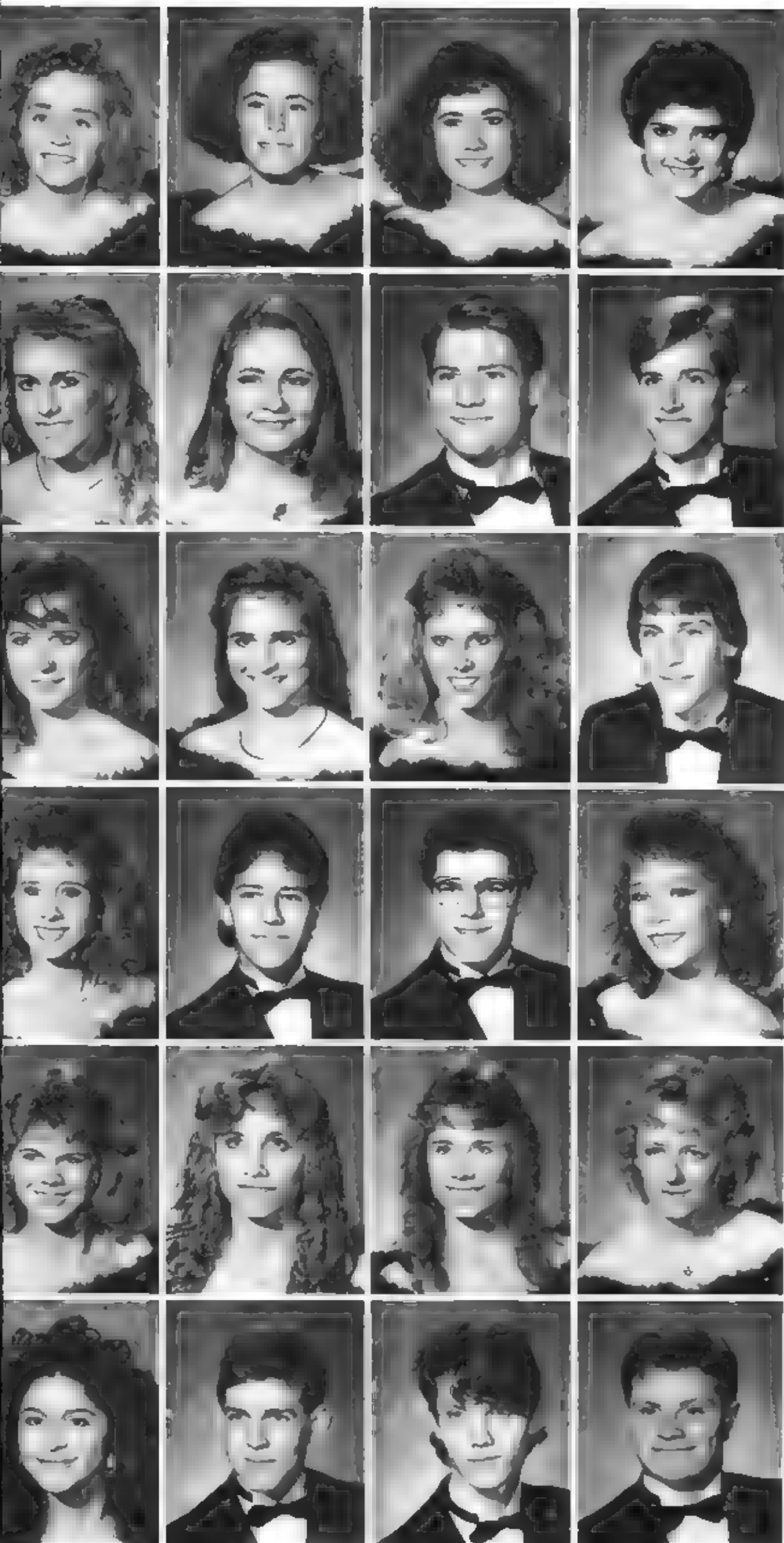
## MOONWALKING



The future of the world may be waiting beyond the planet earth.

Looking over a rocket several Biology Students learn more about Nasa

On Thursday morning, November 12, 42 students and three adults left Dallas-Fort Worth Airport on a field trip to the Houston based NASA space center. Mrs. Pinkston and Mrs. Kelley — a frequent substitute at North Mesquite — went as teacher sponsors. Amy Burgess' father also went as a sponsor for the trip. Students toured various parts of the center, for a total cost of \$50.00, and any additional cost for food Julie Reyna said, "I think it is very important to be educated on space. The earth's resources are diminishing and we must look to space for substitute resources in the future."



**Cynthia Kilpatrick** — NHS; Latin Club, Science Club, OEA; Academic Decathlon, Blue Brigade, Just Say No, UIL Ready Writing, Acapella Choir, Concert Choir, OEA Historian

**Andra King** — Historian French Club, Thespian Chaplain, Symphonic Band, Big Blue, FCM, Symphonic Orchestra Musical Grease, Guys and Dolls; All Region Band, Orchestra; Flag Corps, Science Club.

**Mary King** — Choir, Chorale, All Region Choir; JV Cheerleader; Pacesetters, NHS, French Club, Student Council, FHA, All Year Honor Roll

**Laura Kinkeade** — JV Basketball; NHS

**Racquel Kirk** — Fresh Baseball Manager, Blue Brigade, Spanish Club, FHA, JV Drill; Athletic Trainer

**Shari Kirk** — Academic Decathlon, Thespians; Latin Club

**John Kirkland**

**Arthur Koenig, III** — Honors Band, Big Blue; Symphonic Band, French Club; All Year Honor Roll; NHS Science Club, Honors Orchestra, All Region Orchestra, Jazz Band

**Rachelle Kononiuk**

**Lissa Krahn** — Pacesetters Lieutenant; JV Drill; Spanish Club; FCA; Fresh Class Secretary; Student Council; Prom Council

**Susan Krause** — Fresh Basketball; Spanish Club, Varsity Swimming; Vice-President FHA

**Gary Kurtz**

**Keri Kyser** — Spanish Club, JV Drill, Fresh Basketball, Pacesetters, Secretary FHA, Blue Brigade

**James Lambeth** — Big Blue, Latin Club; Orchestra Just Say No, Concert Band, Symphonic Band; Honors Band

**Jimmy Lambright** — Aerospace/Aviation Club, NHS; Chorale, All Year Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance

**Gina Lawhon**

**Kimberly Lawrence** — Honors Band; Symphonic Band; Flag Corps; Latin Club, NHS

**Dawn Lawson** — VOE

**Tricia Lawson** — Fresh Track; Concert Choir NMHS Singers; Chorale

**Debra Laxson** — Symphonic Orchestra, All Region Orchestra, Honors Orchestra; FMC, YAC

**Pamela Lazo** — French Club; ROTC; Aerospace/Aviation Club

**Brandon Lee** — German Club, ROTC

**Lance Leisure** — French Club

**Marc Leone** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Football; FCA; Art Club

**Christopher Limmer** — FCA, Spanish Club; Fresh, JV, Varsity Football

**Chris Little** — FFA, FHA

**Heather Livingston** — HECE, FHA

**Delanie Loertcher** — Blue Brigade; Spanish Club, FHA VOE, OEA

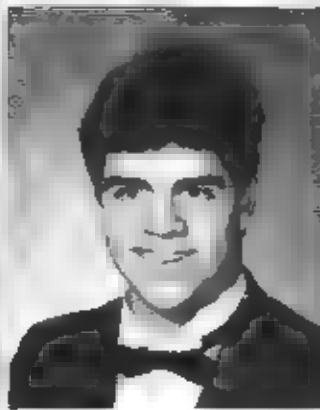


**Terry Lott** — Big Blue, French Club; Honors Band, Symphonic Band, German Club, Honor Orchestra

**Daniel Louzau** — Honors Band; Musical Grease; Big Blue, Honors Orchestra, Spanish Club

**Christopher Lyons**

**Doris Lyons** — Treasurer FHA; Spanish Club Prom Council



**Brian Mabary** — Fresh Football

**Kevin Macauley**

**David Maddox** — Track, Cross Country, Thespians, French Club, Orchestra, Band

**Tina Maddox** — Choir, French Club, President DECA, Blue Brigade



**Wendy Magee** — Latin Club, FHA

**Tracy Malcomb** — Spanish Club, FHA; Speech Club

**Steven Malin** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Football; FHA, French Club, Prom Council

**Kelli Maples** — Blue Brigade, CVAE



**Kimberly Maples** — Blue Brigade, CVAE, HOCT

**Monica Martell** — Swimming, Soccer

**Alexander Martin** — FCA, Varsity Cross Country, Varsity Track; Academic Decathlon, NHS; Spanish Club, Prom Council

**Melissa Martin**



**Marco Martinez**

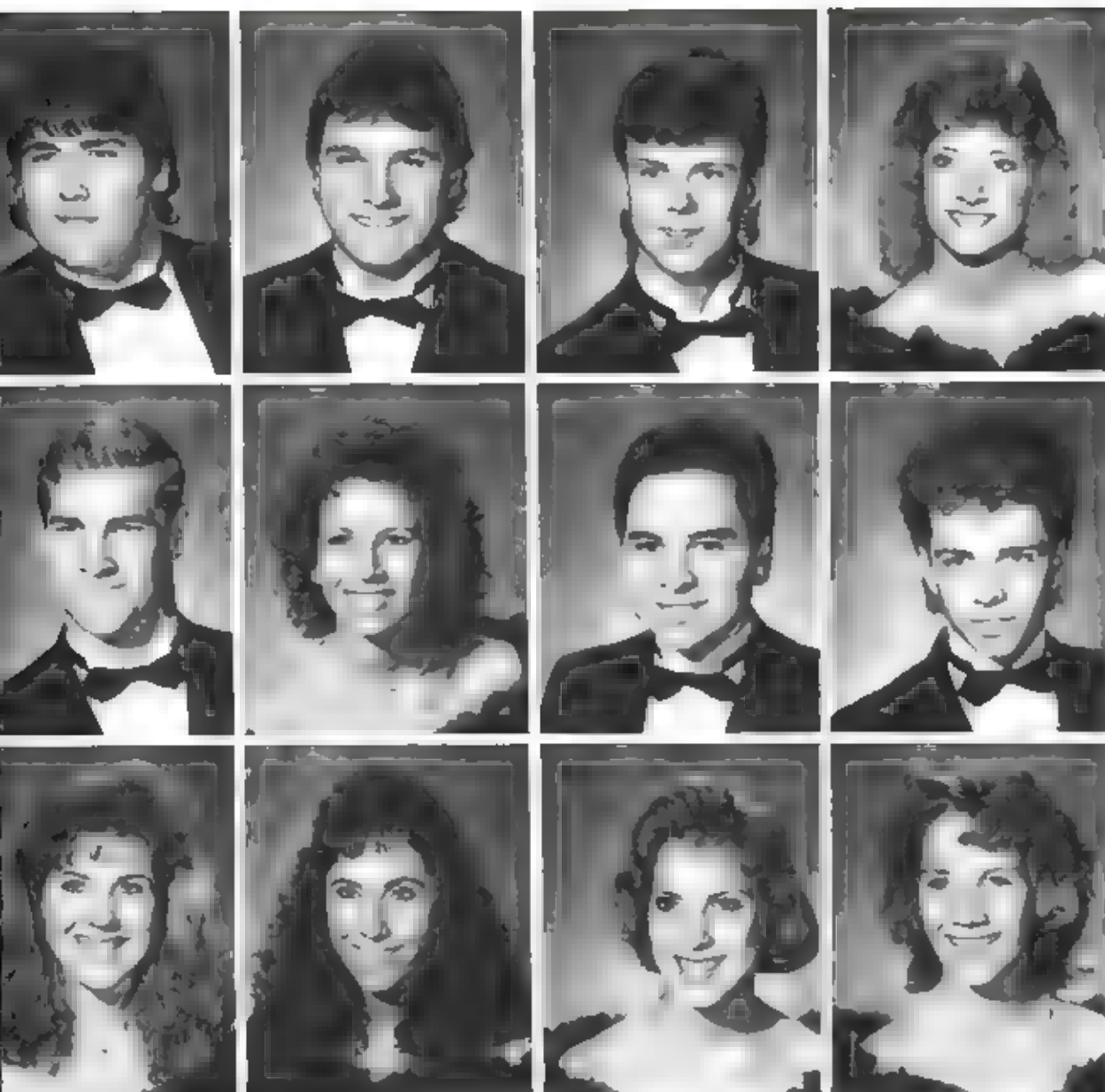
**Ramon Martinez** — FHA, Tennis

**Pamela Marweg** — Blue Brigade, JV Drill, Track, Cross Country, Pacesetter; FCA

**Ronnie Mason** — Thespian Chaplain; Big Blue, Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Honors Band







Sidney Maudlin  
 Steven May — *Weight Lifting*  
 Samuel Mason — *DECA, Art Club*  
 Hope Masters — *Basketball, FHA, HECE*

John Mathews — *Latin Club, Swim Team, FCA*  
 Erin Mattingly — *Volleyball, Stallion Battalion Sweetheart, NHS, FCA, Baseball, Mgr., Science Club, French Club*  
 Marco Maurico — *Stallion Battalion, Art Club, NHS Science Club*  
 Terry Mayo

Laura Mayo — *Student Council, Track, YAC — State Chairman, French Club, J.V. Drill, Blue Brigade, Speech Club*  
 Christy McBride — *J.V. Drill, Blue Brigade, VOE OEA, FHA*  
 Angela McClure — *Pacesetter, J.V. Drill, Blue Brigade, Student Council — Vice President, NHS, Spanish Club, Academic Decathlon, Freshman Choir*  
 Christy McCollom — *Blue Brigade, J.V. Drill, Pacesetter*

## MISSTNG FROM ACTION

Mrs. Morgan's laryngitis.  
 — Steve Malin



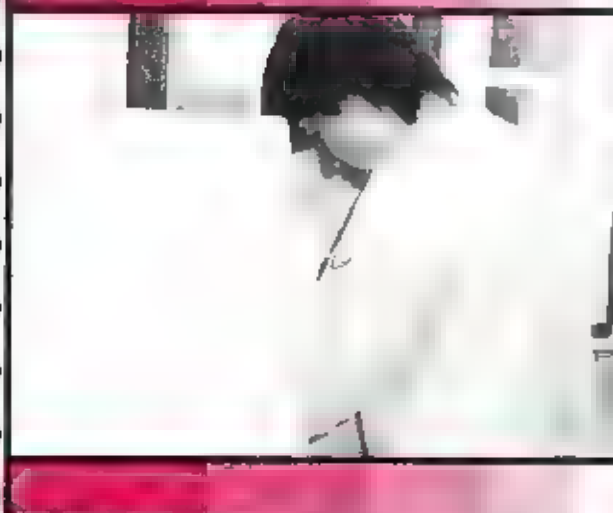
As the class of  
 1988 graduates,  
 seniors will miss  
 each other as well  
 as NM.

What will NM do without

the senior football players' camouflage  
 soccer player of the year — David Wilcox  
 the "twin towers" — Teresa McMillian and  
 Cynthia Horton  
 John Kirkland's ego  
 Julie Owens make-up  
 Erik Van Meters spirit  
 Alex Martin's English discussions

Seniors will miss

Mr. Gary Fortenberry's morning  
 announcements  
 the tardy bell  
 Mr. Don Duke's parking sticker  
 announcements  
 Mr. Ben Cross' "all right let's get quiet now"  
 Mr. Ron Taylor's 'no jive' statements  
 Mr. John Cambell's "ya'll are all right"  
 school pizza  
 Skagg's spirit cakes



# MAGIC NUMBER



Register and prepare to meet the challenges of picking a "winner."

● **Punching in his favorites,** Keith Dalton registers his vote in the student government day election held on February 10th. *Photo by Shawna Gervers*

While a mounting Presidential election got underway, many students turned eighteen and became eligible to vote in the Texas Primary, held on Super Tuesday, March 8th. Earlier on February 10, seniors participated in Student Government Day election. Picking their peers for local government positions allowed students to experience the feeling of victory or defeat along with their candidates.

Super Tuesday winners in the Presidential Primary in Texas included Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis for the Democratic party and Republican Vice-President George Bush. Voting was one of the few changes that the magic number eighteen brought seniors.

**Earnest McCutchen** — ROTC, FHA  
**Wayne McDaniel** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Track, FHA, FCA  
**Sarina McDaniel** — HECE, FHA  
**Michelle McGinnis** — Track; Cross-Country Captain. Fresh Basketball, Spanish Club, FCA

**Wendy McGinnis** — Honors Band, Flag Corps, French Club, Trailblazer Staff  
**Rebecca McGuire** — Basketball  
**Shana McLarry** — Big Blue, Symphonic Band, Speech Club, German Club  
**Jay McMennamy** — VICA

**Teresa McMillian** — JV, Varsity Basketball, German Club President, FCA, Aerospace/Aviation Club  
**Amanda McPherson** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Volleyball; Fresh, Varsity Cheerleader; NHS, Spanish Club  
**Christopher McSorley** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Football; FCA, Chorale, A Cappella, Concert Choir  
**Merry Miller** — Aerospace/Aviation Club, Latin Club, Honors Orchestra, MISD Harpist, Chorale, A Cappella choir, OEA

**Christine Miller**  
**Lisa Mearon** — French Club, DECA, Blue Brigade  
**Monica Miner** — VOE  
**Daymon Mistry**





**Joseph Monroy** — *All Year Honor Roll; Fresh, JV Varsity Football; Spanish Club; NHS.*  
**Heather Montgomery** — *Secretary, Vice President NHS; Spanish Club; Science Club; DEA; Volleyball*  
**Johnny Moody** — *Varsity Football*  
**Brian Moore** — *JV Track; JV Cross Country; Tennis, Science Club; Spanish Club.*



**Eddie Moreno** — *JV, Varsity Tennis, Spanish Club*  
**Dawn Morgan** — *Track, Cross Country, JV Drill; Blue Brigade; French Club, FHA, FCA.*  
**Lance Morgan** — *DECA; Stallion Battalion*  
**Bradley Morris** — *Fresh, JV, Varsity Football; FCA NHS; Spanish Club, All Year Honor Roll Science Club*



**Michael Morrow** — *Stallion Battalion*  
**Jason Moseley** — *JV Basketball*  
**Emily Murdock** — *JV Basketball; Fresh, Acapella Choir; Varsity Track, Cross Country; FCA Spanish Club*  
**Charlotte Murphy** — *Prom Committee, FHA, Spanish Club, FHA, Drama Club, Volleyball*



**Hoda Naaman**  
**Brian Nabors** — *Fresh, JV, Varsity Football; Fresh Basketball, FCA.*  
**Kenny Neece**  
**Shelley Nelson** — *Pace setters, JV Drill, Blue Brigade, French Club FHA*



**Christine Nguyen** — *Art Club; Spanish Club; NHS.*  
**Leslie Nightingale** — *VICA, Track; Cross Country*  
**Donna Nordin** — *FHA; Spanish Club.*  
**Richard Northcutt** — *JV, Varsity Swimming; Volleyball; Spanish Club.*



**Patti Noster** — *FHA, HOSA, French Club; Band*  
**Susan Ochaschek** — *FHA; Spanish Club*  
**Rachel Oliver** — *French Club, Basketball, Volleyball*  
**Billy O'Neal** — *French Club*



**Tina O'Neal** — JV Drill; Blue Brigade; Science Club  
HOSA, FHA

**Erin Otero** — JV Drill; Blue Brigade; Pacers; JV  
Varsity Soccer; President FHA

**Julie Owen** — Student Council; Football Secretary,  
NHS; JV Drill; Spanish Club; Secretary FHA, Blue Brigade,  
All Year Honor Roll

**Cherie Owens** — VOE, DEA President, French Club,  
FHA

**Mark Ownby** — Spanish Club; Big Blue Band; All  
Year Honor Roll; NHS

**Ronald Page** — Honor Orchestra, Latin Club, Science  
Club, NHS, All Year Honor Roll, Academic Decathlon, Whiz  
Quiz, Golf Team

**Felicia Palma** — Spanish Club

**Stephanie Panek** — Drama

**Elizabeth Patrick** — Latin Club, FHA; Academic  
Decathlon

**Russell Paulov** — Big Blue Band; Speech Club, FHA

**Jennifer Pennington** — Flag Corps; Symphonic,  
Concert, Big Blue Band, JV Drill; Musical (Grease); French  
Club

**Richard Pennington** — Aerospace/Aviation Club;  
FHA, Concert, Symphonic, Big Blue Band; Jazz Band; Drum  
Line

**Betty Perdue** — FHA/HERO; Spanish Club

**John Perez** — Big Blue, Honors Band; Honors Orchestra,  
NHS, PCM

**Travis Perry** — JV Football; Aerospace/Aviation Club

**Faith Perry** — DECA; FHA

**Hope Petty** — DECA, FHA

**Tommy Phillips**

**Alexander Pina** — Big Blue, Symphonic, Honors Band,  
Spanish Club; Science Club; Aerospace/Aviation Club

**Scott Pittman** — Fresh, JV Football; Fresh, JV, Varsity  
Baseball; All Year Honor Roll; NHS; FCA

**Brett Poteet** — FFA, FHA

**Patty Pound** — JV, Varsity Track, OEA; NHS

**Julia Powers** — Basketball Manager; FHA; Spanish  
Club, Blue Brigade, JV Drill Pacers; Art Club; Student  
Council; Theaters; Science Club

**Anthony Prather** — VOCT



... letters.  
hard  
work and determination  
pay off with

# MARKS OF MERIT

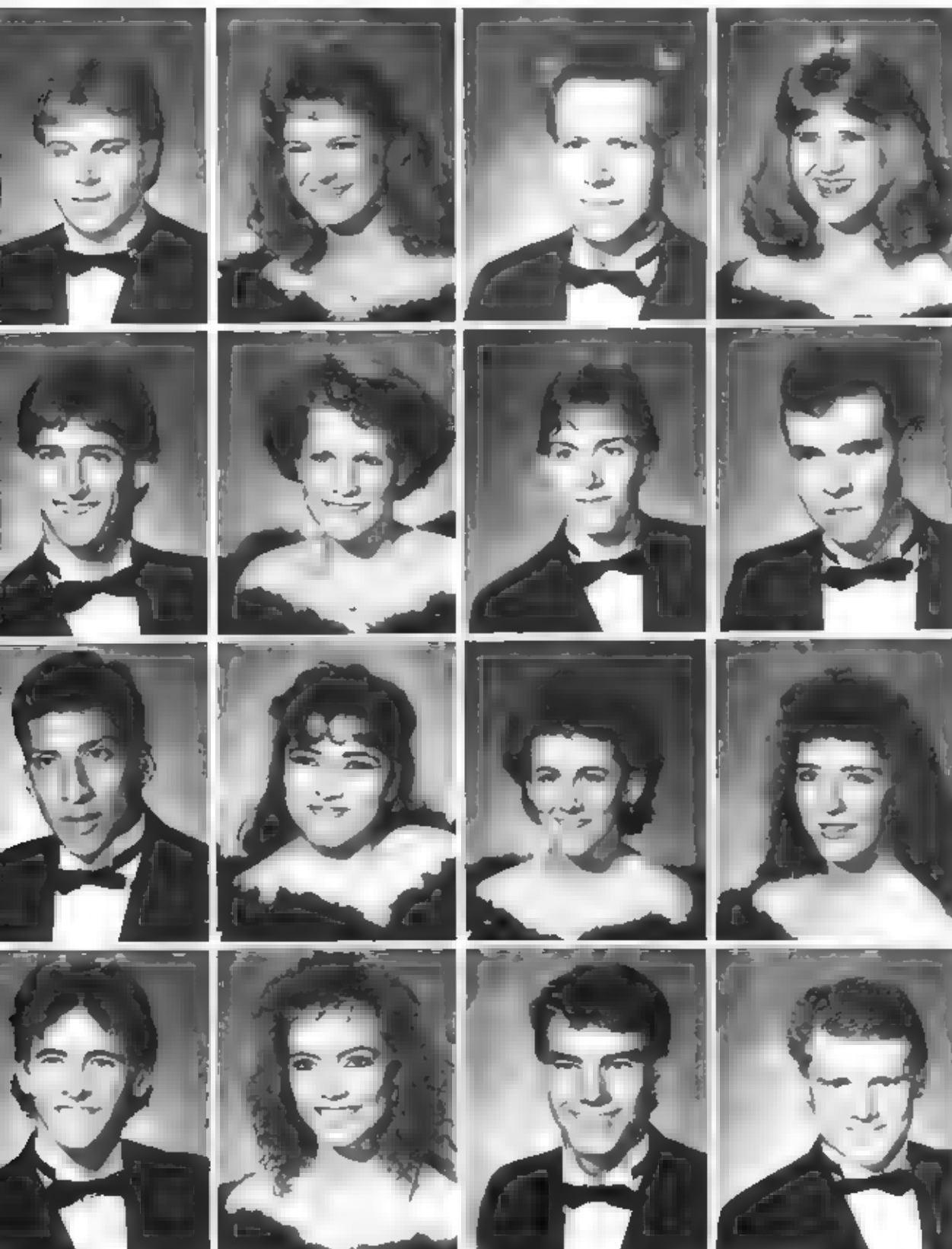
They are symbols of hard work, dedication, and membership. Some will be stored in closets, and on hangers, and become moth eaten. But to the select students who receive them, a letter jacket or blanket represented a high school accomplishment.

"My letter blanket reminds me of all the fun I had in orchestra over the years," Beth Ardanowski said.

Letters were earned in sports, Pacesetters, cheerleaders, and organizations such as yearbook, newspaper, and Stallion Battalion. A new addition was the Academic Decathlon. "We worked hard for our jackets, and as a result we did better than the team has ever done. I want others to see my jacket and maybe get involved in Academic Decathlon or show support for it," Clara Austin said.

Though they may become faded and worn, the memories and the dedication will always be a part of those who earned them.

*Folding up one of the award blankets presented to both newspaper and yearbook staffers, Sergio Espinoza prepares to give the blanket to yearbook staffer Holley Casey. Photo by John Woolard*



**Tommy Presley**

**Valerie Pressley** — Pacesetters, J.V. Drill, French Club, FHA, HOCT

**Heath Price** — Stallion Battalion, Football, Orchestra

**Alana Rattan** — French Club, Soccer, J.V. Drill, Blue Brigade, Pacesetters, NHS, Student Council

**Chuck Rawlinson** — Football, Soccer, Baseball, FCA, Spanish Club

**Casey Rawls** — Cheerleader Manager, Spanish Club, FHA

**Tracy Raymond** — Basketball

**Glenn Reazor** — DECA, FHA

**Christopher Reyes** — Spanish Club, FHA, Cross Country, Track

**Maria Reyes** — Choir

**Dana Reynolds** — Basketball, Volleyball, FCA, German Club

**Stacy Riddler** — Pacesetters

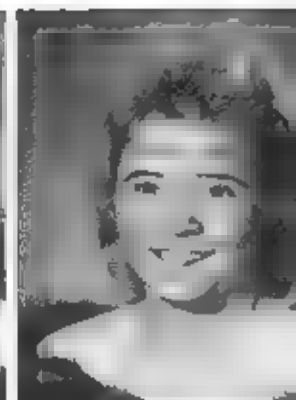
**Anthony Roberts** — Spanish Club

**Kimberly Rodgers** — Blue Brigade, J.V. Drill, French Club, FHA

**Russell Rogers** — Baseball, Basketball, French Club, FCA, Rodeo Club, Science Club

**Ernest Roe** — Football, Basketball, Track, FCA

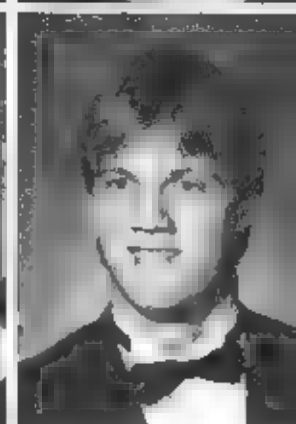
**Belinda Roebuck** — Spanish Club I, II; Track; FHA.  
**Angela Roel** — HECE I, II; Band; FHA; JV Drill  
**Karen Rogers** — Newspaper  
*Shelley Rogers*



**Susette Rose** — JV Drill; FHA  
**Diane Ross** — JV Drill; Blue Brigade; HECE; HOCT  
**Kimberly Rowe** — Band Sweetheart; Big Blue Drum  
 Major, Science Club, NHS  
**Joelle Roy**



**Noelle Roy** — Varsity Basketball; French Club  
**Bryan Russ** — Concert, Symphonix, Honors Band, Big  
 Blue; Chorale, Unsty; Orchestra; Concert Choir, FHA, All  
 Region Choir  
**Tammie Rutledge** — Big Blue  
**Brian Sagraves** — Varsity Football, Fresh Basketball,  
 Track



... credits. House bill 72 graduates  
 its first class in the seniors of '88!



## TRACKS TO SUCCESS

Credit checks were held throughout the year in every grade. Students were able to check progress on a tracking sheet that listed all classes and courses required for the three different diplomas students could receive. The three diplomas are general, advanced, and advanced with honors.

"The main difference between the general and advanced requirements are five courses. In advanced you must take two consecutive years of a foreign language, a computer course, a fine arts class, and an additional year of science," Registrar Ron Chappell said. In order to receive the Advanced Honors diploma, a student must take at least five honors classes.

On being the first class to graduate under HB 72, Amy Heaps said, "It's been different for us, but we think our class has done a good job and been successful."

*Going over her transcript*, Julie Owens completed her final credit check with counselor Bil Scott. Seniors were required to have 21-22 credits to graduate. Photo by John Holt.





**Kristin Salas** — *Frosh, JV, Varsity Cheerleader; President FHA, Blue Brigade, Spanish Club, Student Council President, Prom Council; Homecoming Court*

**Alfredo Sanchez** — *Golf*

**Jennifer Sanders** — *Blue Brigade, Athletic Trainer, French Club*

**Susan Sanders** — *Athletic Trainer, NHS; Blue Brigade*



**Trey Sanderson**

**Michaela Sanford** — *Spanish Club, FHA, HERO Track, Choir*

**Chris Schappaugh** — *Football, Spanish Club, FHA*

**Angela Schmitz**

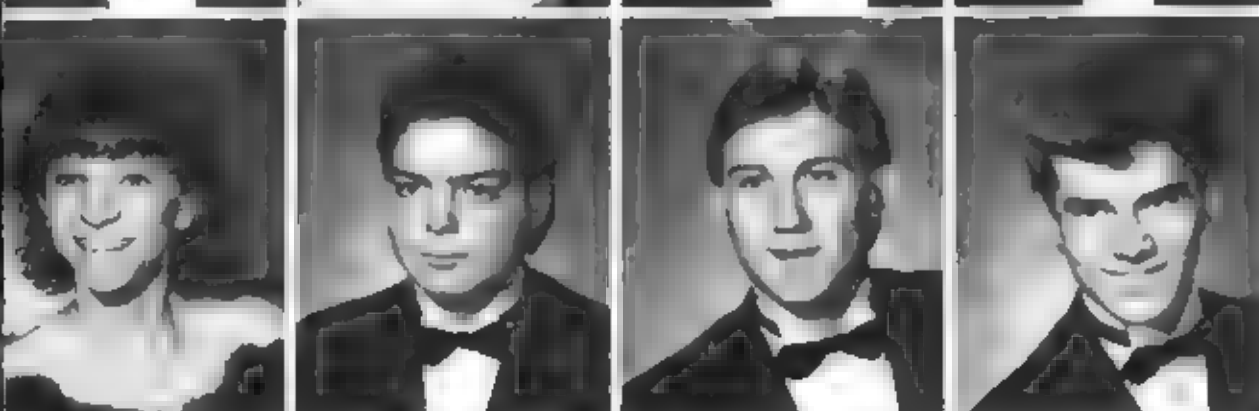


**Forrest Scott**

**Donna Seachord** — *Art Club President, Newspaper Staff, Frosh Basketball*

**Corey Self** — *Soccer Manager, JV Soccer*

**Jon Self** — *Swim Team, HECE*



**Jennifer Sellner** — *Blue Brigade, FHA, Academic Decathlon, Just Say No*

**Edgar Serrano** — *French Club*

**Shannon Sharp** — *Baseball*

**Todd Sharp**



**Catherine Shaver**

**Bryan Shelton**

**Kelly Shepherd** — *FHA*

**Melanie Shuttleworth** — *Frosh, Varsity Volleyball, FCA, Spanish Club, Pacesetter, JV Drill Instructor*



**Ronda Skelton**

**Lisa Skinner** — *JV Drill, Spanish Club, Track, Blue Brigade*

**Linda Sloan** — *JV Drill, Blue Brigade, Spanish Club, Tennis, FHA, HOCT, HOSA, NHS*

**Shannon Slovacek** — *Treasurer DECA*

Caroline Small — *Art Club; FHA*  
 Gennifer Smith — *Spanish Club, FHA, Just Say No*  
 Kevin Smith — *Basketball*  
 Leigh Smith



Michelle Smith — *DE*  
 Rhonda Smith — *Big Blue; Concert Band; Symphonic Band; French Club*  
 James Snyder — *Band; Choir; Orchestra*  
 Kimberly Sogard



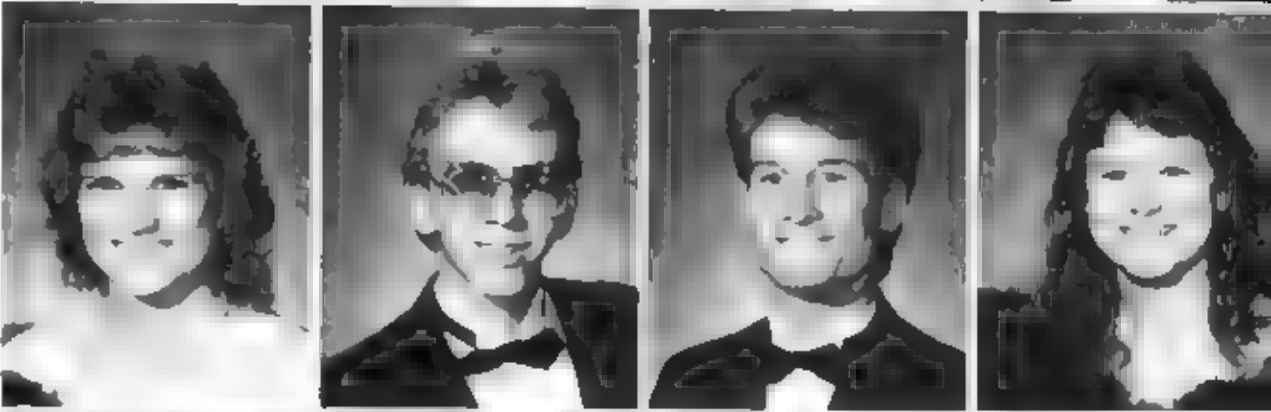
David Sponsel  
 Debra Stavely — *Blue Brigade; PHA, Spanish Club; Varsity Soccer Trainer; Science Club, VOE*  
 Travis Steen — *President NHS; Band; Jazz Band, ROTC; Science Club, German Club, Academic Decathlon*  
 Kevin Stehn — *German Club; Aerospace/Aviation Club*



Deanna Stephens — *Blue Brigade; Treasurer PHA; Secretary PHA, HECE*  
 Kimberly Stephens  
 Lorna Stewart — *JV Drill; French Club; DECA; Latin Club, Blue Brigade*  
 Shelly Stewart — *HOCT; JV Drill*



Julie Stockard — *Big Blue; Honors Band; Orchestra; Debate Librarian; All Region Band*  
 Jason Stone  
 Jeffrey Stone — *Frosh, JV, Varsity Football; FCA, Frosh, JV, Varsity Baseball; Spanish Club*  
 Rhonda Stone



Melanie Strawn — *President Big Blue, Captain Flag Corps; NHS; Honors Band; Orchestra; All Region Band; Science Club, All Year Honor Roll*  
 Tonya Sturgeon — *Spanish Club; FHA*  
 Elizabeth Suder — *HECE; PHA*  
 Melissa Suggs — *JV Drill; HOCT; Blue Brigade*



Those who worked for twelve years have finally



# Earned Their Wings

Jesse Jackson's Presidential bid • The Kuwaiti Hijacking • The 1988 Olympics • Evangelist Scandals • Jessica McClure's rescue from a well • The 200th anniversary of the Constitution • The First Principal's Council of Honor Picnic • The Minnesota Twins won the World Series • The December Stock Market Crash • NM advanced further than ever in Football and Girls Basketball • The Denver Broncos won the Superbowl • The Last Emperor won Best Picture • The Dallas Mavericks made it to the NBA Finals

*As Jesse Jackson greets his supporters on one of his campaign stops the candidate made his second bid for the White House and won enough delegates for a second place finish in the Democratic party. Jackson's campaign slogan was 'a Rainbow Coalition'*

*As a 22 year old "heartthrob" in the late 50s, Elvis' fans gathered at Graceland for the ten year anniversary of his death in August, 1978*

*Perhaps the 1988 seniors will become famous just as Reverend Jesse Jackson or Elvis Presley, only time will tell.*



... d.j.'s. *The*  
*Voice of North*  
*Mesquite*

# ON THE AIR

It's Friday afternoon and the final bell has just rung. You rush out to your car, and while waiting to get out of the parking lot you flip through the stations trying to find a song you like.

Suddenly you hear two familiar voices coming from the radio. No it's not Kidd Kraddick, it's Julie Powers and Shelli Chance who are student D.J.'s for Mesquite's own KEOM.

Both Shelli and Julie became interested in the job when the director Dr. James Griffin came to the Theater Arts classes to recruit. "Shelli and I both jumped at the chance," Julie Powers said.

Julie has always been interested in commercial advertising and feels "this experience will come in handy someday."

Julie Powers said, "It was an experience I'll never forget."



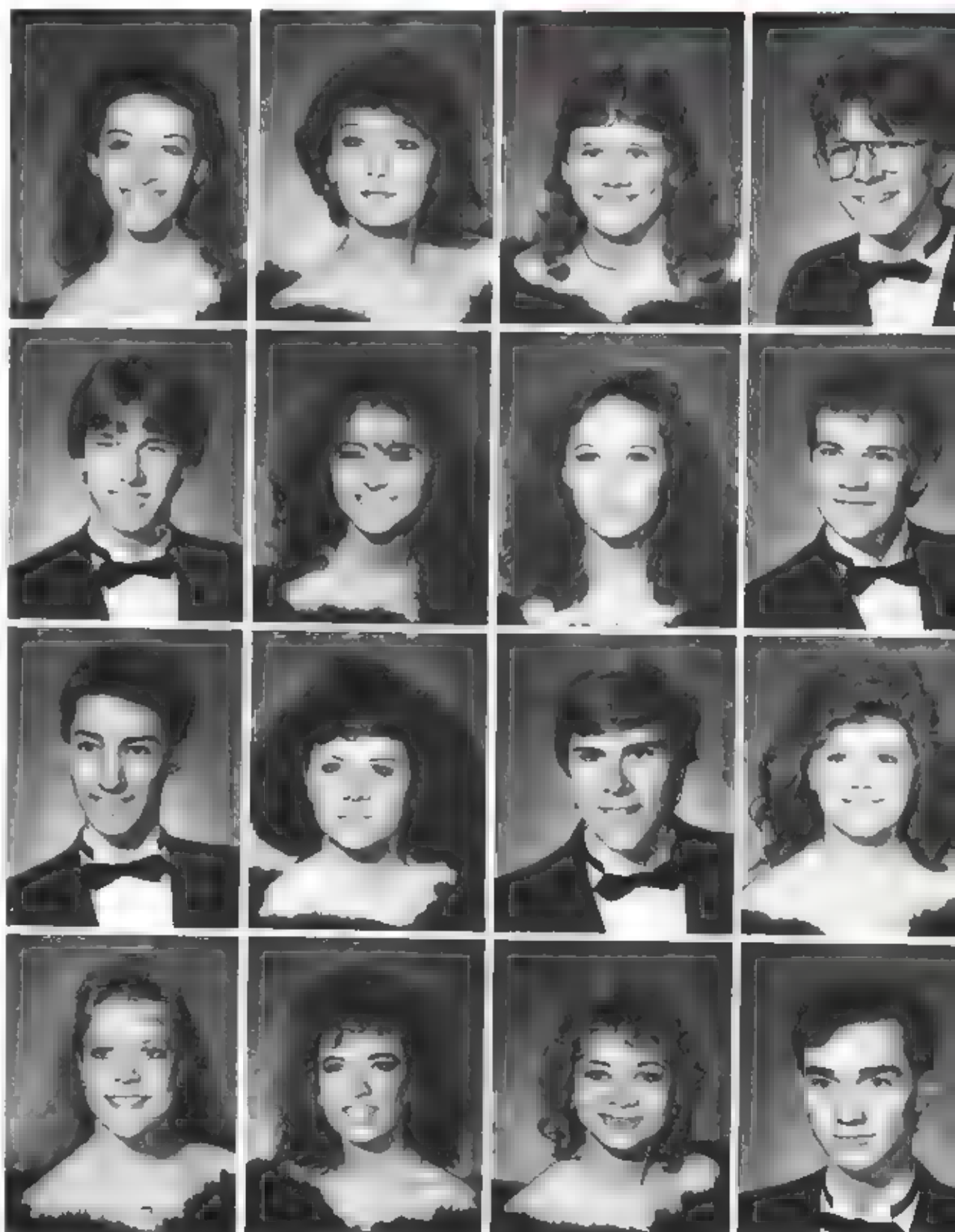
*Showing pride for KEOM, Julie Powers and the other student D.J.'s from Mesquite smile to the crowds of people at the rodeo parade, held April 9. Photo by John Holt.*

Sabrina Sunday — ROTC I-IV  
 Tina Tallant — JV Drill; Blue Brigade; FHA, VOB, OEA  
 Tammie Tanner — FHA; Science Club, Blue Brigade; Varsity Basketball Manager  
 Stephen Tate — Cross Country/Track, Spanish Club

Deven Tenny — Big Blue; Spanish Club, ACA-DECA  
 Shannon Terrell — Blue Brigade; French Club; FHA, LDA Art Club  
 Deidre Terry — NHS; French Club Secretary; Pace-setter  
 James Thigpen — Chorale; Unsty; Concert Choir

George Thixton — Trailblazer Staff; Art Club; ICT, VICA  
 Kimberly Thomason — J.V. Drill; Blue Brigade Spanish Club, Latin Club, FHA  
 Christopher Thompson — Honors Orchestra, Honors Band  
 Rhonda Thompson — Art Club; Spanish Club

Shannon Thompson — French Club, HOCT  
 Stacey Thompson — Freshman Basketball; J.V. Drill, Blue Brigade, FHA  
 Angela Thomson — Orchestra, Art Club  
 Jason Tillman — DECA





**Shannon Tinsley** — Blue Brigade, JV Drill, Pacesetters; FHA, Spanish Club

**Candi Toczak** — Concert Choir, Cross Country, Track, Spanish Club

**John Todd** — Speech Club, Varsity Golf

**Angie Tovey** — Concert Choir, Track



**Michael Trabue** — Varsity Baseball, Aerospace/Aviation Club, Spanish Club, Science Club

**Layne Trospen** — Fresh, JV Football, Academic Decathlon, French Club, NHS

**Charles Tucker** — Band, Orchestra, Jazz Band

**Brian Tullos** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Football, Fresh Basketball, FCA



**Stephanie Tullos** — Big Blue, Concert, Symphonic Band, FHA

**Jim Tyler** — FHA/HERO, French Club

**Steve Tyler**

**William Uloch** — JV, Varsity Football



**Natosha Ussery** — Spanish Club

**Joe Valdez** — Orchestra, Swim Team, Football, Spanish Club

**Tonya Vandergriff**

**Erik Van Meter** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Track, FCA, Mascot, Chorale, Cross Country, Spanish Club, Acapella



**Mathew Varghese** — NHS, JV, Varsity Cross Country, JV, Varsity Track, All Year Honor Roll

**Robert Vaughn** — Fresh, Varsity Football, Varsity Baseball, Fresh, JV Basketball, FHA, FCA, Prom Council

**Martha Videan** — Big Blue, Concert, Symphonic Band, French Club

**Heather Wagner** — FHA



**Bobbie Walker** — Blue Brigade, JV Drill, OEA Club

**Heather Walker** — Big Blue, Symphonic Band, Flag Corps, Spanish Club, Pacesetters

**October Walker**

**Jon Ward** — Varsity Football, Spanish Club

**David Warner** — *Fresh, JV Football; Spanish Club, FHA*

**Pamela Washington**

**Marlene Waters** — *Fresh, JV, Varsity Cheerleader; Co-Head Cheerleader; Student Council; Spanish Club Treasurer; Fresh Class President; Sophomore, Junior Favorite, Football Sweetheart, Blue Brigade*

**Jamey Watson** — *Fresh, JV, Varsity Baseball*

**Micheal Watson**

**Robert Watson** — *Fresh, JV Tennis; Art Club Treasurer*

**Tina Watson** — *Blue Brigade; Academic Decathlon, Science Club, NHS, FHA*

**Kimberly Watwood** — *HECE, FHA*

**Samuel Weatherby** — *Latin Club, JV, Varsity Soccer*

**Lori Weatherly** — *Varsity Track; Varsity Cross-Country Co-Captain, FHA Secretary; Fresh Basketball; Choir*

**John Weaver** — *Fresh, JV, Varsity Baseball; FHA*

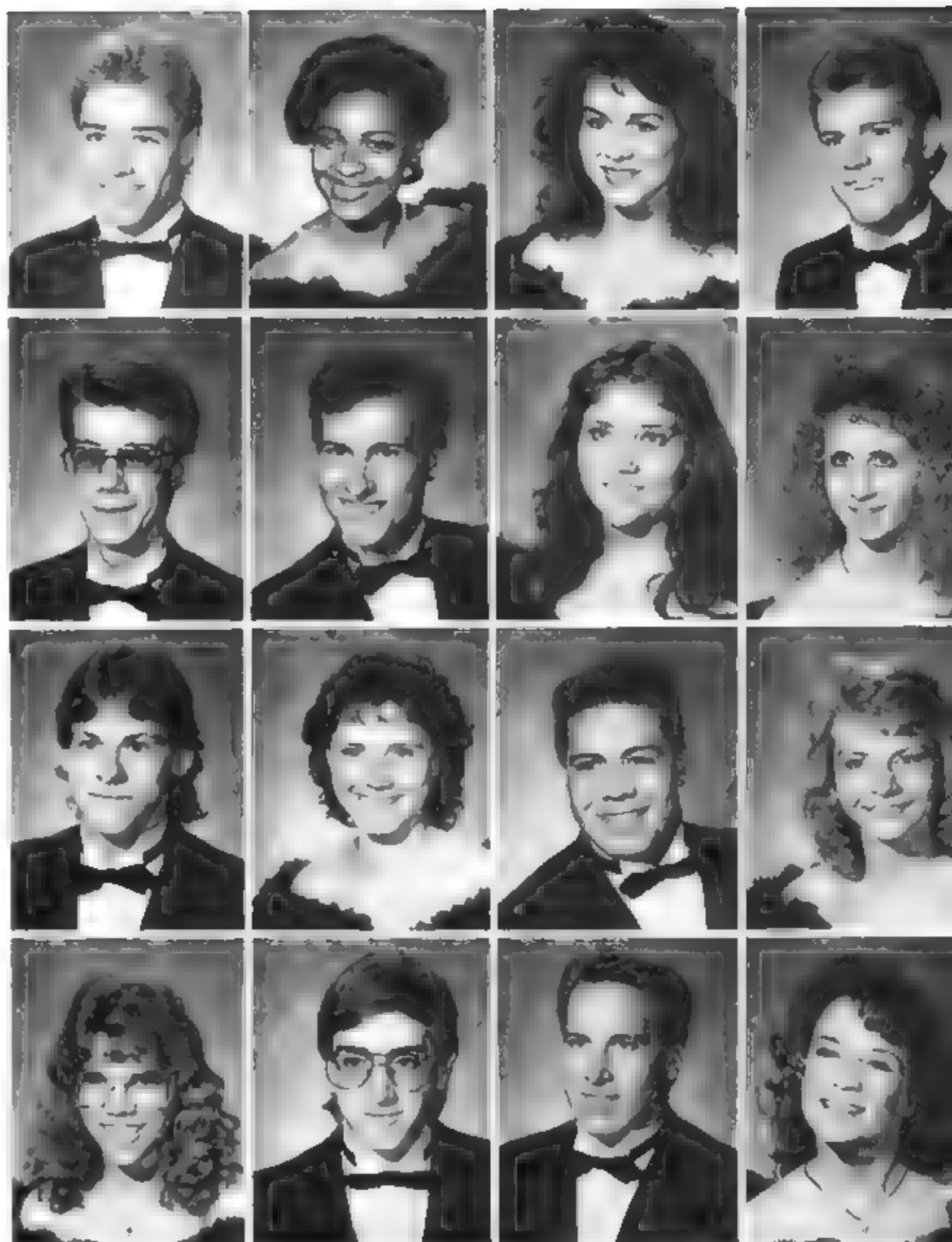
**Kristy Wells** — *JV Drill; Spanish Club; FCA; DECA Vice-President, Track*

**Kristina Westerfield** — *French Club; Big Blue, Honors Orchestra; Concert, Symphonic Band, FCM*

**Mark Wharton** — *ROTC*

**James Whitaker** — *Fresh, JV, Varsity Football; Fresh Basketball; VICA, Sergeant Arms, FHA*

**Glenda White** — *Pacesetters, JV Drill Instructor*



... leaving. Parents,  
students prepared  
to leave each other and friends  
behind and

# CONQUER THE WORLD

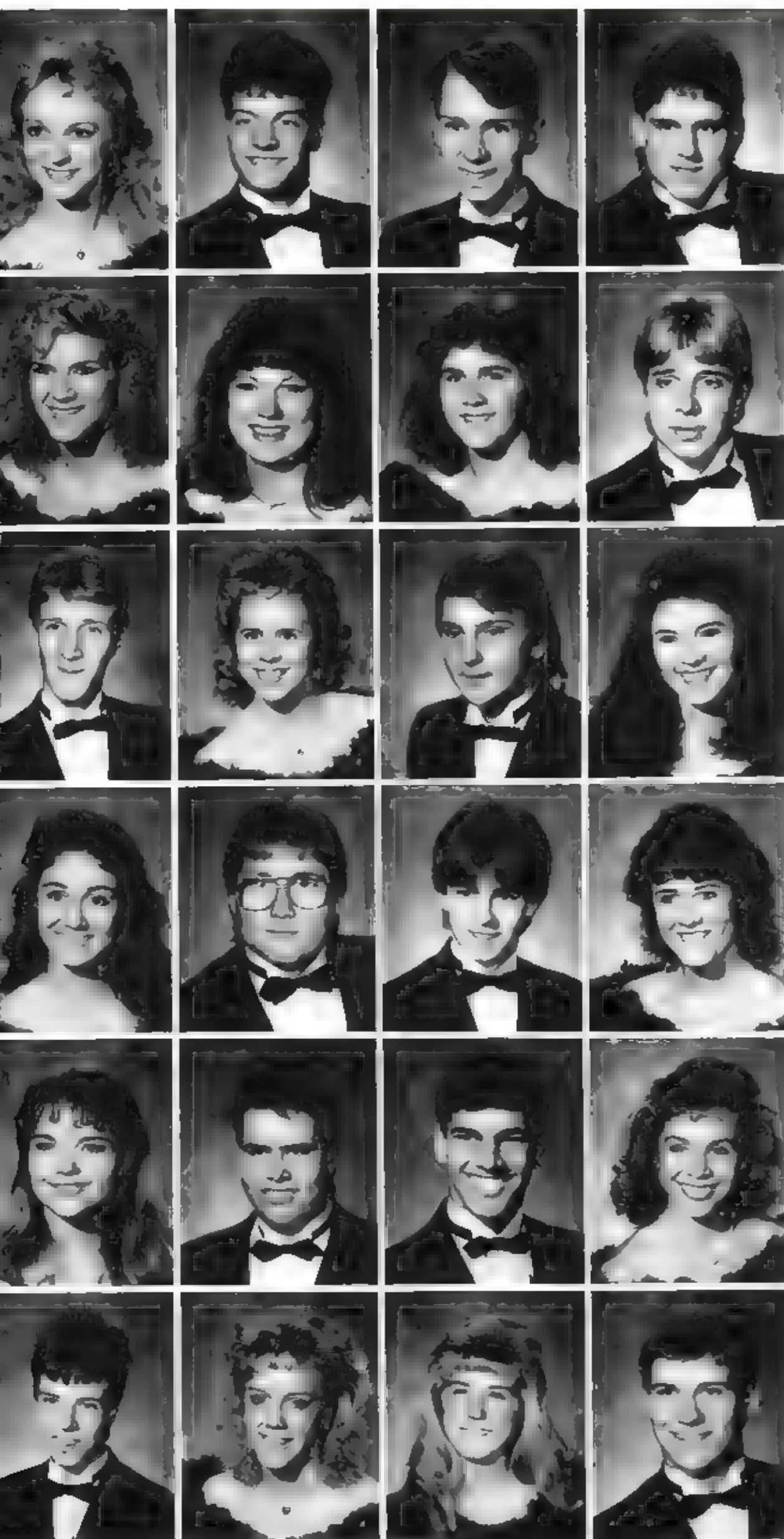
With a quick hug and a kiss from mom, she skipped out the door and into the night. One step closer to freedom, no curfew and no cares — seniors were ready to graduate.

Throughout the last day students reminisced about past years shared. As "senioritis" kicked in goofing off was rampant among students. The thought of leaving to go to college left many students sad. However, the world beyond Mesquite wanted to be conquered, and the senior class was ready to oblige. Jeff Good said, "I'm excited about going to school, but I'll miss the closeness of my family and friends. My high school years and the relationships they brought are something I'll always remember."

*During the final game* of postseason play in the Regional game against Cypress Fairbanks, Wendy Burkhart consoles Brian Duggan after he was taken out of the game due to an injury. As the time approaches for seniors to graduate, bad and good times are remembered as students prepare to leave high school life behind.  
*Photo by John Woolard*







**Linda Whited** — Band, Flag Corps, Fresh Class  
Treasurer French Club, Math Club

**David Wilcox**

**Bryan Wilkins** — Fresh Class President, Vice President  
German Club, All Year Honor Roll, NHS, Big Blue, Honor  
Band

**Barry Williams** — Fresh, JV Football, Powerlifting

**Kimberly Williams** — Fresh, JV Volleyball, JV,  
Varsity Cheerleader, FCA, Spanish Club, NHS

**Lacy Williams** — Pacemaker Lieutenant, JV Drill, Blue  
Brigade, French Club

**Angela Williams** — HOSA, French Club

**Roger Williams**

**Damon Wilson** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Basketball  
NHS, All Year Honor Roll, Spanish Club

**Merrie Wilson** — Big Blue, FHA

**Ross Wisdom**

**Wendy Wood**

**Melanie Woodall** — Symphony, Honor Band, Flag  
Corps Lieutenant, NHS, French Club, All Year Honor Roll

**Paul Woods** — Art Club, Fresh, JV Football, Stallion  
Battalion

**Randy Woody** — Cross Country, Track

**Angela Workman** — VOE

**Melanie Wright** — HECE, FHA

**Douglass Wygal** — Fresh, JV Football, FHA

**Mark Yanda** — JV, Varsity Football, FCA

**Rena Ybarbo** — Varsity Track, Varsity Cross Country  
FCA, FHA

**Keith Yonick** — Art Club, DECA Reporter

**Tonya Youngman** — Fresh, JV, Varsity Volleyball  
Spanish Club, Just Say No, FCA

**Tamie Zalesky** — Tennis Team, Spanish Club

**Christopher Zivney** — Fresh, Varsity Basketball  
Fresh, JV, Varsity Baseball, Spanish Club, All Year Honor  
Roll, FHA

# HONOR GRADS

Edward Baptista  
Christine Nguyen  
Meredith Groesbeck  
Elizabeth Ardanowski  
Hoda Naaman  
Alexander Martin



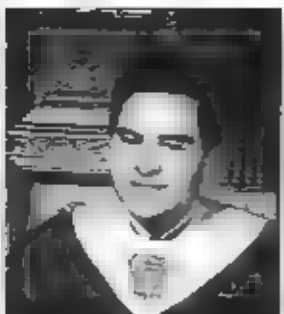
Karlene Brown  
Holley Casey  
Angela McClure  
Kim Rowe  
Cynthia Kilpatrick  
David Bowdoin



Deidre Terry  
Melanie Woodall  
Stephen Crabtree  
Misti Goodman  
Arthur Koenig  
Wendy McGinnis



James Duggan  
Marco Mauricio  
Georgia Chapman  
Donna Kautzsch  
Travis Steen  
Timothy Glasson



Roger Frith  
Mathew Varghese  
Karla Goss  
Diann Foster  
Kara Essman  
John Perez



Bryan Wilkins  
Jesse Colwill  
Gregory Good  
Hong Hoang  
Bryon Hopkins  
Lisa Freeman



Jimmy Lambright  
John Fornero  
Mark Ownby  
David Maddox  
Alan Rattan  
Ronald Page



*Out of a class  
of 591, two  
students*

# Reach For The Top

If it's true that our lives are patterned by our actions and our success is measured through our accomplishments then Edward Baptista qualifies on both counts.

Edward earned the top spot as Valedictorian in his class of 591. "I did not begin thinking about being Valedictorian until the second semester of my junior year. When I found out that I was ranked number one, I decided to try to be Valedictorian." Edward said he took as many honor classes as possible and attended summer school to "concentrate on doing my best in all my classes."

Edward's accomplishments included cross country, NHS, French Club, Science Club, and Whiz Quiz.

Edward said, "Valedictorian represents all the hard work that I have put in during my four years in high school."

After her junior year, Christine Nguyen

found herself in the fifth sport, so she took all honors classes as a senior to work herself up to number two. Christine said,

"It means so much because I have been working hard for the past four years, but becoming Salutatorian is my reward. I always try to do my best."

Christine came to the United States from Vietnam not knowing English or math at the end of her sixth grade year and worked her way through Mesquite to graduate second.

Ranking high in your class teaches you to be a disciplined person and provides experience later in life. It also allows you to be the best you can possibly be.

*“Ultimately, our lives are patterned by the course of action we choose in high school.”*  
— Edward Baptista

**D**uring Marine Science, Edward Baptista and Christine Nguyen check through the book for descriptions and names of specimens they collected while on the Marine Science trip to Port Aransas. The trip to Port Aransas took place Saturday morning, April 16, and the students returned on Tuesday night, April 17.





Wendy Kelly  
Damon Wilson  
Layne Trosper  
Mary King  
Bradley Morris  
Milayna Burch



Sophia Ellis  
Leslie Hickey  
Melanie Strawn  
Stacy Hyatt  
Amy Dickey  
D'Juan Hamilton



Keri Kyser  
Laura Kinkeade  
Amanda McPherson  
Charlotte Murphy



## Departmental Awards

ART — Marc Leone  
BAND — Steve Tucker  
BOYS ATHLETICS — Joe Bowden  
BUSINESS — Linda Hawkins  
CHOIR — Debbie Edmundson  
ENGLISH — Meredith Groesbeck  
FRENCH — Eileen Clark  
GERMAN — Sean Hamilton  
GIRLS ATHLETICS — Cynthia Horton  
HOMEMAKING — Amy Hiser  
INDUSTRIAL ARTS — Steve Killingsworth  
JOURNALISM — Christy Kralik  
LATIN — Glenda White  
MATH — Arthur Koenig  
ORCHESTRA — Angela Thomson  
SALUTATORIAN — Uyen Nguyen  
SCIENCE — Uyen Nguyen  
SOCIAL STUDIES — Clara Austin  
SPANISH — Alex Martin  
SPEECH — Jason Haddock  
THEATER ARTS — David Maddox  
VALEDICTORIAN — Edward Baptista  
VOCATIONAL CVAE — Jason Fellers  
VOCATIONAL HOTC — Cathy Bowman  
VOCATIONAL ICT — Byron Hopkins  
VOCATIONAL MDE — Tina Maddox  
VOCATIONAL VOE — Cathy Shaver  
YEARBOOK — Michelle Chapman

## Scholarship Winners

EDWARD BAPTISTA — University of Dallas \$15,850  
JOE BOWDEN — University of Oklahoma \$24,000  
DAVID BOWDOIN — Texas Christian University \$12,000  
KARLENE BROWN — Duke University \$11,000 per year, American Legion \$500, ITT \$8,500 per year, Mesquite City Council PTA — \$400  
MILAYNA BURCH — Abilene Christian University \$14,000, Good Grades Basketball Game \$1,000, MEA \$400  
JERRESE CARWILE — East Texas Baptist \$3,200  
NORTON DIAZ — Incarnate Word College \$1,500 per year  
AMY DICKEY — Mesquite Rotary Club \$1,000  
BRIAN DUCK — Louisiana Tech \$24,000  
BRIAN DUGGAN — East Texas State University \$12,000, Mesquite Elk's Lodge \$1,000, Most Valuable Student Award \$1,000  
ERIC ELDER — Louisiana Tech \$24,000  
SERGIO ESPINOZA — Northwood Institute \$1,000  
HOLLY ETHRIDGE — Baylor \$2,000  
JASON FRITH — Woodruff Foundation \$400, Byrd Foundation \$1,500  
MISTY GOODMAN — Tyler \$10,000  
KARLA GOSS — East Texas State University \$1,500 per year  
JASON HADDOCK — Rotary Club \$100  
CYNTHIA HORTON — Stephen F. Austin \$24,000  
STACY HYATT — East Texas Baptist University \$2,000  
WILLIAM JACKSON — East Texas State University \$600 per semester

MARK JONES — East Texas State \$12,000  
ROBERT JONES — Stephen F. Austin \$24,000  
CYNTHIA KILPATRICK — Lee College \$3,500  
ARTHUR KOENIG — Mesquite City Council PTA \$400, Mesquite Host Lions Club \$500, U. Arlington \$1,050  
KERI KYSER — Baylor \$750  
DAVID MADDOX — North Texas \$400 per year  
ALEX MARTIN — Austin College \$1,250  
MARCO MAURICIO — University of Texas at Austin \$10,000  
LAURA MAYS — Youth Advisory Council \$400  
ANGELA McCLURE — North Texas \$400 per semester  
TERESA McMILLAN — Texas Tech \$24,000  
HODA NAAMAN — Mesquite City Council PTA \$400  
ALANA RATTAN — North Mesquite PTA \$200  
CHUCK RAWLINSON — Stephen F. Austin \$12,000  
CASEY RAWLS — Howard Payne University \$11,000  
KIM ROWE — Howard Payne University \$11,000  
TRAVIS STEEN — ROTC Scholarship \$32,000  
DEIRDRE TERRY — Mesquite Paraprofessional Educational Association \$250  
ANGELA THOMPSON — North Texas \$600  
LAYNE TROSPER — Baylor \$1,000  
ROBBY VAUGHN — East Texas State University \$12,000  
BRIAN WILKINS — New York University \$5,000  
DAMON WILSON — Howard Payne University \$10,000  
MELANIE WOODALL — East Texas State University \$1,000

## Honor graduates receive certificates and

# Recognition

On stage, as 7:00 pm began to roll around, a group of students waited to be announced as the proud and the elite. On Monday, May 23, students with Perfect Attendance, All-Year Honor Roll, Scholarship Awards, and the top ten percent of the senior class gathered to receive recognition and awards. Principal John Campbell announced the names while Assistant Principal Gary Fortenberry handed out the certificates.

"The crowd was not real big, but that really was not important. It was great just to be recognized for all the hard work I put in through my four years in school. I always wanted to graduate with highest honors and I did it!" Michelle Chapman

said

Those seniors who were in the top ten percent could purchase a white cord to wear during the graduation ceremonies over their

ten percent, but I did. I'm just glad it's over. Bigger and better things are waiting," Leigh Ellis said.

Greg Good added, "It is a nice honor to graduate in the top ten percent. It feels good to have accomplished something and to be above the normal academic standards.

Most students saw the achievement as a step on the academic ladder, the next being college. "I plan to go to a college where I can use the knowledge I've learned at NM," Holly Casey said. "I want to be an accountant

I'll go to Eastfield until I can get enough money to attend the University of Texas at Austin."

*"Graduating with highest honors is just reward for all the hard work done in high school."*

Holley Casey

robes. Gold National Honor Society cords were also sold to graduating members. Each cord sold for \$5.25.

"I didn't know if I'd make it to the top



Trying to locate a certificate, Mr. Gary Fortenberry gets ready to award Aaron Workman an award for All-Year Honor Roll. Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors were recognized for All-Year Honor Roll and Perfect Attendance.

Waiting for the Awards Ceremony to begin, David Boudoin looks out over the audience. David is ranked twelfth in a class of 391, and plans to attend TCU on scholarship as an Athletic trainer.



# We're Friends

"Having friends of the opposite sex can be very helpful. Usually it's better to be friends than anything else." Scrince McDaniel

**S** Seeing a group of guys and girls at an activity where it's "just friends" is becoming more and more common. Not every get-together involves a date situation.

"Having a guy as a friend is great because you can go out with them, relax and be yourself," Michelle Boros said.

Some think male/female friendships are not a good idea.

However most think it's great.

"They're Great! you need to have friends of the opposite sex in order to mature. They help you understand relationships from every point of view."

"When you have a problem you always have someone to talk to." Vicki Scherir said.

**Catching a quick chat between classes,** friends DeeAnna Hogan and Wesley Cunningham discuss their evening's plans as they gather their books for the next class



Among the sprained ankles and injured knees of the NM training room, friends Debbie Johnson and Michael Jasek have a chance to take a break and talk







Alan Abbruzzese — 11  
 Amy Ables — 10  
 Annamma Abraham — 10  
 Cini Abraham — 10  
 Anthony Addy — 10  
 Wendy Adkins — 11  
 Todd Adley — 11  
 Billy Afdahl — 11

Athena Aguilar — 11  
 Ginger Akun — 10  
 Liz Alarcon — 11  
 Danny Alexander — 10  
 Derrick Alexander — 11  
 Jim Alan — 10  
 Veronica Allday — 11  
 Chad Allen — 10

Richard Allen — 10  
 Tanya Allen — 10  
 Freddie Alvarado — 10  
 Armando Alvarez — 11  
 Mari Alvarez — 11  
 Vivian Alvarez — 10  
 Lisa Ames — 10  
 Jamey Anderson — 10

Robin Anderson — 11  
 Timothy Anderson — 10  
 Jason Andrews — 10  
 Michael Andrews — 10  
 Karran Ansley — 11  
 Shererra Anthony — 10  
 Christine Aquilina — 11  
 Suzanne Aquilina — 10

Steve Artunas — 11  
 James Archer — 11  
 Carol Ardnowwks — 10  
 Tim Arden — 10  
 Kelly Armstrong — 11  
 Jeff Armstrong — 10  
 Deborah Arnold — 10  
 Jason Arnold — 10

Melissa Arnold — 10  
 Shelly Arnold — 11  
 Eric Arthur — 10  
 Chuck Ashby — 10  
 Robert Ashby — 10  
 Zeke Ashton — 11  
 Matt Ashworth — 10  
 Daryl Askue — 9

Gerald Askue — 11  
 Priscilla Astorga — 10  
 Stacy Ataway — 11  
 Dee Aure — 11  
 Adrian Avila — 10  
 John Avila — 10  
 Kim Axton — 10  
 Joey Ayers — 11

Jacob Baby — 11  
 Sara Baby — 10  
 Mike Baguio — 11  
 Christie Bailey — 10  
 Scott Bailey — 10  
 Jennifer Bailey — 10  
 John Bailey — 11  
 Raymond Bailey — 11

Patricia Bard — 10  
 Ginger Baker — 10  
 Heidi Baker — 10  
 Janet Bais — 11  
 Beth Banks — 10  
 Jason Banks — 11  
 David Bannister — 10  
 Maher Barakat — 10

Tracy Barber — 11  
 Brian Barboza — 11  
 Donnie Barlett — 10  
 Timmie Barnes — 10  
 Valerie Barnes — 11  
 David Barnett — 11  
 Melissa Barnett — 11  
 Tamara Barnett — 10

# NOT RIGHT

"One of my favorite one-liners is 'Get another life dweeb'."  
— Heather Wagner

**T**

here are only so many times you can say "let's just be friends" or "your place or mine."

Even though these lines are old, they are still used as excuses, but now there are some that are "new and improved."

Suzy Hicherson said "A one-liner I give to someone when breaking up is I really like you, but we're not right for each other."

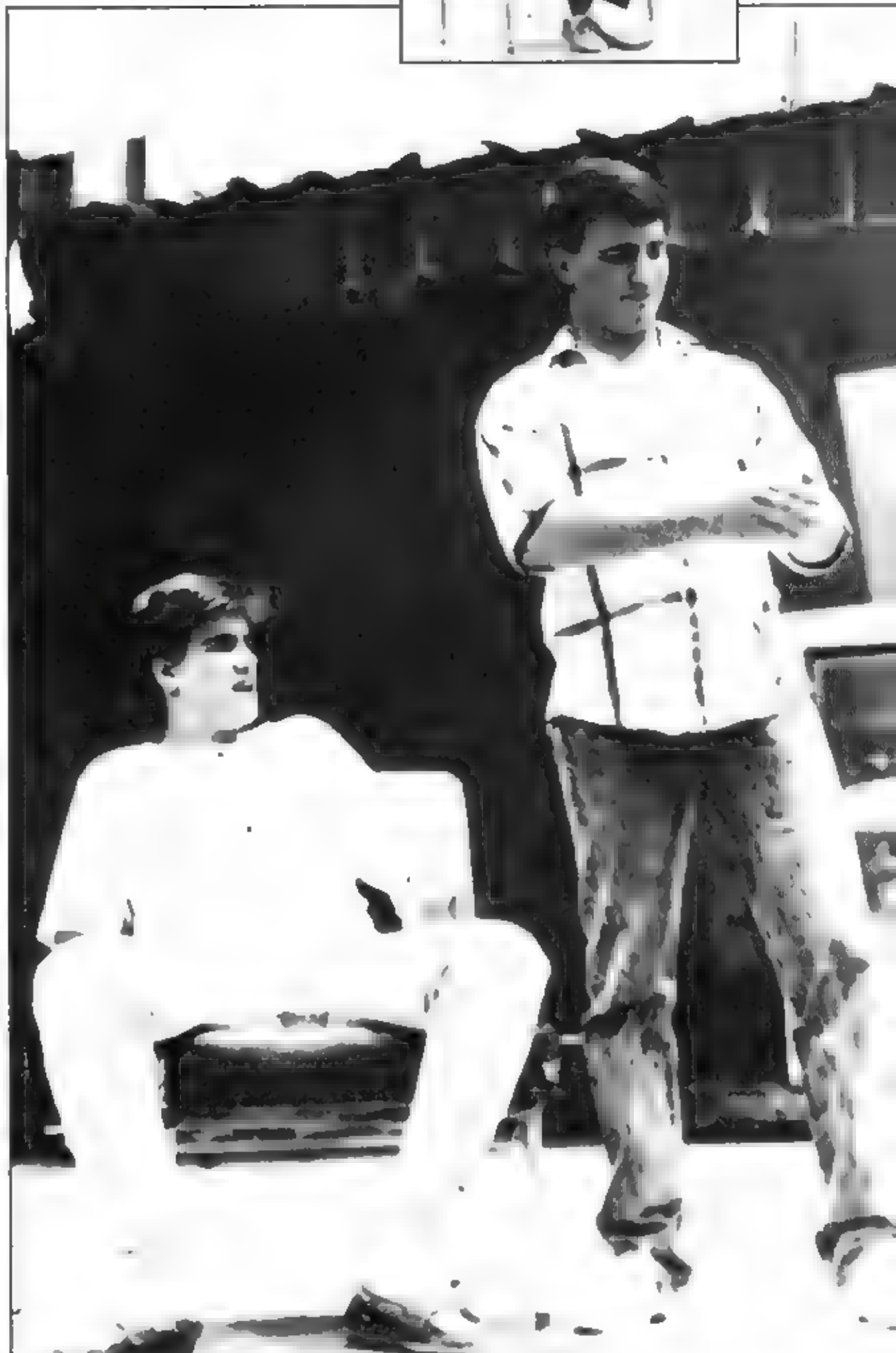
Some are not so romantic, La Dawn Gregory said "A one-liner I give when breaking up is 'call back in another lifetime'."

"A one-liner that usually always works when I am trying to get their attention is 'Do you know that my best friend's aunt owns a Flamingo ranch in Forney, TX.?'"

**Pretending to admire his new drill,** John Fornero says "This will hurt you more than it hurts me." who portrays the role of the dentist in the school musical "Little Shop of Horrors" rehearses as his terrified patient, Brad Holt, looks on



"I tell ya, Trust Me!" Are the comments of Walt Maron as he describes the size of the plant in a Saturday morning rehearsal for "Little Shop of Horrors."







Tim Barnett — 10  
 Roy Bartlett — 10  
 Leslie Barton — 11  
 Charles Bartsch — 9  
 Charly Bates — 10  
 Jill Bates — 10  
 Brad Barneson — 10  
 Billy Beedon — 11

Stacy Beers — 11  
 Thomas Belder — 11  
 John Beltrere — 9  
 Brian Bell — 10  
 Donovan Bell — 10  
 Stephanie Bell — 10  
 Mark Beauveau — 10  
 Pat Benford — 11

Renee Benjamin — 10  
 Angie Bennett — 10  
 Brett Bennett — 11  
 Sylvia Bennett — 11  
 Caren Benson — 11  
 Stanley Berly — 10  
 Richard Bernhart — 10  
 Marty Beshers — 11

Derek Beyer — 10  
 Sima Bhatt — 10  
 John Biggs — 11  
 Kama Birdwell — 10  
 Jenny Bishop — 10  
 Corey Bivings — 10  
 Anthony Black — 10  
 Kathy Black — 11

Steve Blackwell — 10  
 Sean Blanck — 11  
 Tonya Blankinship — 11  
 Jammie Blanton — 11  
 Susan Blaylock — 10  
 Mike Bloom — 10  
 James Bobo — 10  
 Cyndi Bogan — 10

Bruce Boling — 10  
 David Bollier — 9  
 Mark Borner — 11  
 Denelle Bonow — 10  
 Brian Boone — 11  
 Michelle Boros — 10  
 Channon Bosnick — 11  
 Glenn Bourland — 11

Trey Bowdon — 10  
 Laurie Boyd — 11  
 Mike Boyd — 11  
 Michelle Boyd — 11  
 Steve Boyett — 11  
 Sean Boyett — 11  
 Tony Boyles — 10  
 Bret Bradbury — 11

Renae Bradshaw — 11  
 Florin Branca — 10  
 Steven Bray — 10  
 Erica Braymen — 11  
 Robert Brenn — 10  
 Jenny Brewer — 10  
 Michah Brewer — 10  
 Tammy Briggs — 10

Sarah Briley — 11  
 Nadja Brink — 11  
 Charles Britz — 10  
 Chris Brogdon — 11  
 Doug Brooks — 11  
 Melissa Brooks — 10  
 Randall Brooks — 10  
 Brent Brown — 10

Chris Brown — 10  
 Donna Brown — 10  
 Eric Brown — 10  
 Jason Brown — 11  
 Laura Brown — 11  
 Mike Brown — 11  
 Shawn Brown — 10  
 Tabatha Brown — 11



# LOOK AT ME

"To attract someone's attention I yell 'Hey you with the face'."

— Kathy Baird

**E**ye contact, smiles, friendly conversations, compliments, and friendliness all add up to a way to attract the attention of the opposite sex.

"I usually announce it across a room or from a ten foot distance," Chris Moore said.

Everyone has his own ideas on how to attract someone's attention. Some just act friendly and smile while others go to more drastic measures.

Kristin Salas said, "The most outrageous thing I've ever done is stick my head out of a car's sun roof while driving down the street and wave at some guys."

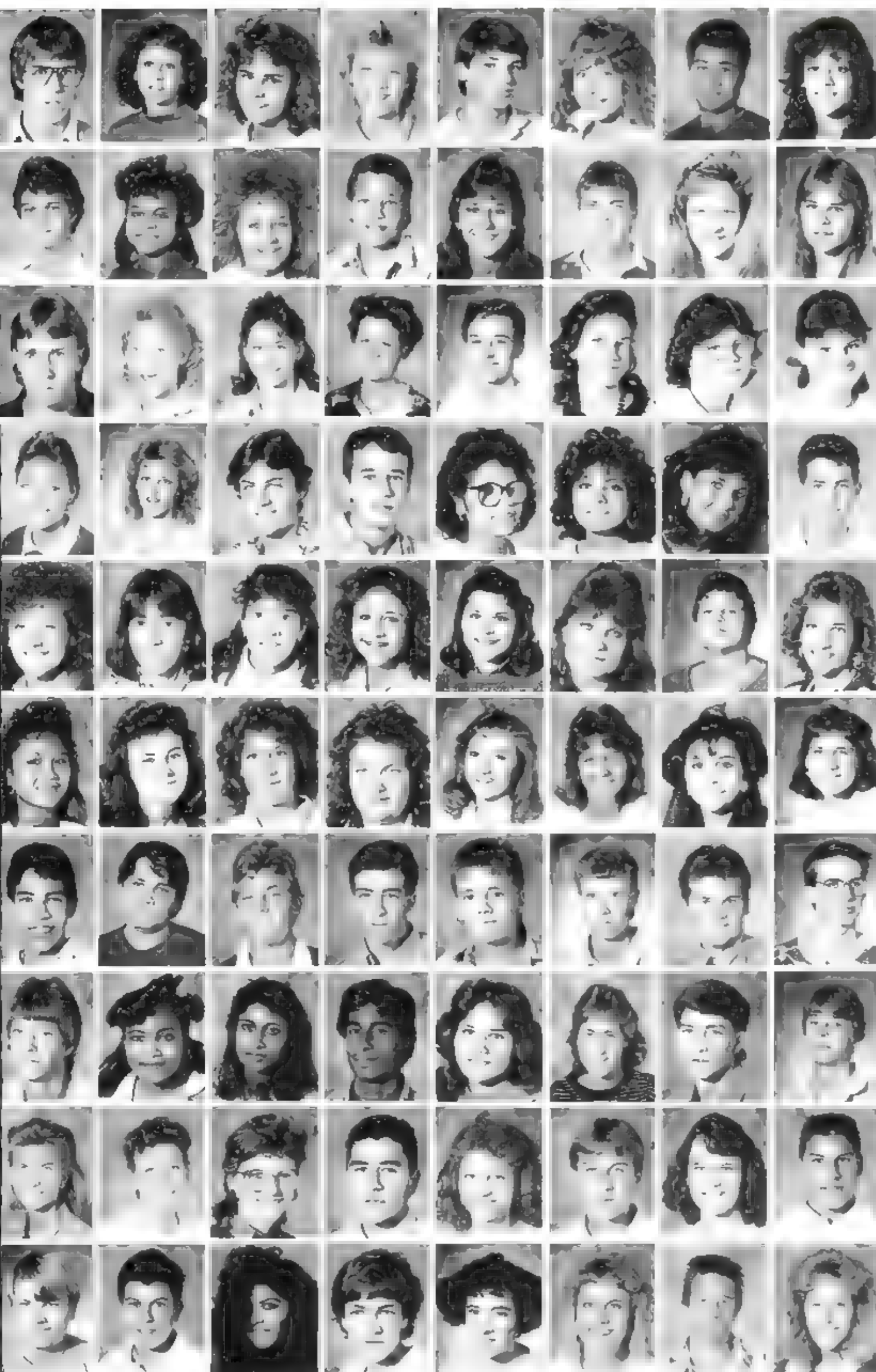
"As far as what I would like for them to notice is the fact that I'm not fake, I'm just me," Kathy Baird said.

*Five minutes between classes* is not much time to catch the attention of a friend, but Tim Eames and Melissa Jurca talk fast before going to their third period class.



*Aisle*  
*apart* as  
Kim Lucas and  
Kevin Hog  
who are ex  
changing notes  
in geography





Wesley Brown — 11  
 Susan Browning — 11  
 Arnie Bruce — 10  
 Julie Bryant — 10  
 Ken Buck — 10  
 Monica Buckman — 9  
 Thang Bui — 11  
 Dena Burton — 10

Ray Bunyard — 11  
 Kim Burch — 11  
 Gail Burchfield — 11  
 Craig Burgan — 10  
 Amy Burgess — 11  
 Chuck Burkett — 10  
 Page Burkhalter — 11  
 Melissa Burleson — 10

Billy Burnett — 11  
 Rhonda Burnett — 11  
 Julie Burns — 11  
 Jenny Burnside — 10  
 Joel Burr — 11  
 Raschelle Burress — 11  
 Laurie Burton — 10  
 Stacy Bussey — 11

Kim Bustamante — 11  
 Angie Butler — 11  
 Daniel Butler — 10  
 Matt Butler — 10  
 Michelle Cabellera — 11  
 Veronica Caballero — 11  
 Stephanie Cafton — 11  
 Greg Cagle — 11

Cindy Cain — 10  
 Leticia Calderon — 10  
 Lydia Calderon — 11  
 Tina Calhoun — 11  
 Monica Calicchio — 10  
 Carol Campbell — 10  
 Jesse Campbell — 10  
 Nora Campbell — 11

Tina Cao — 11  
 Julie Capps — 11  
 Christy Carey — 10  
 Christy Carlisle — 11  
 Monica Carmack — 10  
 Michelle Carnal — 10  
 Debbie Carr — 11  
 Carrie Carroll — 11

Nichael Carroll — 11  
 Robert Carroll — 10  
 Josh Carson — 10  
 Koun Carter — 11  
 Nick Carter — 11  
 Brian Caruthers — 9  
 Jairo Casoco — 10  
 Carter Cathey — 11

Terry Caudle  
 Cassandra Ceaser — 10  
 Mary Chacko — 10  
 Tom Chacko — 11  
 Beverly Chamberlain — 11  
 Amy Chambers — 10  
 Chuck Chambers — 11  
 Mathew Chambers — 10

Mandi Chance — 10  
 Shell Chance — 11  
 Tricia Chaney — 10  
 Filbert Chapa — 10  
 Cindy Chapin — 10  
 Danny Chapman — 10  
 Tyra Chapman — 10  
 Lura Charles — 10

Stephen Charlton — 10  
 Esmeralda Chavana — 11  
 Tom Chauvin — 10  
 James Childers — 11  
 Laurie Childers — 11  
 Anson Childress — 11  
 Corby Chirsey — 11  
 Ken Choate — 11



# I Hate It When They Do That

"A bad habit some of my classmates have is talking to me, I do not consider them worthy of the privilege to talk to me." Rick Reyes.

**W** When Kathy Patterson turns her head in a classroom and hears a student popping his knuckles or making sarcastic remarks to her friends, she gets annoyed.

"All this noise and people who think they know everything really annoy me," Kathy said "and I don't like people who look you over the first thing."

Admittedly or not everyone has bad habits; Singing, chewing on pen lids or nails, smacking gum, and always asking to borrow paper or pens are a few.

"One bad habit some of my classmates has is putting their feet on the basket of the desk and then bouncing them," Betty Perdue said.

Jason Arnold said, "One of the bad habits a teacher has is when you ask a question and he/she talks for five minutes and never answers your question."

*Many NM students* secretly bite their nails, and here Barry Williams is caught in the act.



A delicious appetizer during any class is the per cap, Roger Cummings seems to study better as he chews his per cap.







David Christiansen — 11  
Leah Christofor — 10  
Bryan Clark — 10  
Dionne Clark — 10  
Eileen Clark — 11  
Hollie Clark — 11  
Karen Clark — 10  
Kristy Clark — 10

Danielle Claus — 10  
Carla Clayton — 10  
Brent Clement — 10  
Heath Clinger — 11  
Christy Cochran — 11  
Debra Cockes — 10  
Kevin Cockrell — 10  
Anne Coffey — 10

Donald Coffman — 11  
Michelle Cohen — 11  
Kumetly Colderon — 10  
Krissey Cole — 11  
Laura Cole — 10  
Charbe Collins — 10  
Scotty Collins — 11  
Travis Columner — 10

Tina Conalls — 10  
Wayne Conerly — 9  
Amy Conley — 10  
Andrea Contreras — 9  
Yvonne Conway — 11  
Derek Cook — 10  
John Cook — 10  
Larry Cook — 10

Renae Cook — 11  
Jacquelyn Cooke — 11  
Susie Cooke — 10  
Chris Cooley — 11  
Jennifer Copan — 10  
Kim Corbin — 10  
Shirley Correa — 11  
Aaron Correa — 11

Jay Cortez — 10  
Barbara Cothran — 10  
Matthew Counts — 11  
Clay Coursey — 10  
Connie Covington — 10  
Sherry Covington — 10  
Dustin Cox — 10  
Freda Cramer — 9

Cathy Crawford — 11  
Jennifer Crawford — 11  
Karen Crawford — 11  
Shannon Crawley — 11  
Richard Creed — 10  
Ralonda Crittenden — 10  
Todd Crocker — 11  
Mike Cromans — 11

Shan Cromans — 10  
Amy Cross — 11  
Billy Cross — 11  
Jacky Cross — 11  
Jennifer Crumrine — 11  
John-David Crumrine — 10  
Carl Cuff — 11  
Clayton Cummings — 10

Roger Cummings — 11  
Billie Cunningham — 10  
Krisi Cunningham — 10  
Rachel Dagle — 11  
Jimmy Dale — 11  
Dana Dally — 10  
Jason Dalton — 11  
Lisa Dalton — 11

Frank Damammio — 11  
Tobin Daniel — 11  
Samantha Dansby — 10  
Jeremy Darden — 10  
Janet Daum — 10  
Shawn Daves — 11  
Chris Davis — 11  
Jonathan Davis — 10

Karina Davis — 10  
 Kerry Davis — 11  
 Kimberly Davis — 11  
 Cynthia DeAnda — 10  
 Carrie Dearman — 9  
 Jim Decanro — 11  
 Jason Deering — 11  
 Heather Defate — 10

Kathy DeFelice — 11  
 Adonna Deice — 10  
 John Delaney — 11  
 Angie Delos — 11  
 Christy Delp — 11  
 John Denk — 10  
 Jerry Dennett — 10  
 Jason Dennis — 10

Jeff Dennis — 11  
 Steve Dennis — 11  
 Reade Denny — 10  
 Donna Denson — 11  
 John Derrick — 10  
 James Devoy — 11  
 Rachel Devoy — 11  
 Christy Dawes — 11

Michelle DeWeerd — 10  
 Franco Diaz — 11  
 Kim Dill — 11  
 Dale Dodson — 11  
 David Doleshal — 10  
 Jeff Donaldson — 11  
 Dorothy Doner — 10  
 Brad Dorman — 11

Sandra Doss — 11  
 Susan Dory — 10  
 Clef Douthat — 10  
 Daniel Douer — 10  
 Jason Drummond — 10  
 Brandon Dry — 10  
 Shawn Dry — 11  
 Lisa Duke — 10

Richard Dulworth — 11  
 Jeston Dumas — 10  
 Marc Dumerer — 10  
 Kerry Duncan — 10  
 Sean Duncan — 10  
 Danna Dunn — 10  
 Heath Dunn — 10  
 Stacy Dunn — 11

Pam Dunsmore — 11  
 James Dunsward — 9  
 Chris Dykowski — 10  
 Erick Earp — 11  
 Kevin Easley — 11  
 Jennifer Eaves — 10  
 Janis Echeverria — 11  
 Tina Echols — 10

Davis Eddings — 11  
 Debbie Edgar — 10  
 Chris Edmundson — 11  
 Karen Edwards — 10  
 Angela Edwards — 10  
 Karina Elliott — 11  
 Kevin Elliott — 10  
 Michael Elliott — 10

Tracy Ellis — 10  
 Brian Elrod — 11  
 Gordon Elrod — 10  
 Sandy Embrey — 11  
 David Ennis — 11  
 Christi Epperson — 10  
 Robert Epperson — 10  
 Eric Erback — 10

Albert Ervin — 11  
 Stephanie Erwin — 10  
 John Eschberger — 11  
 Blanca Espinoza — 10  
 Rebecca Espinoza — 10  
 Keith Est. — 11  
 Amy Ethridge — 10  
 Lynda Evans — 10



# NM

## Male

1. Patrick Swayze 74%
2. Tony Danza 14%
3. Charlie Sheen 12%

# YOUR

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

*favorites*

# NM

## Female

1. Molly Ringwald 62%
2. Whoopi Goldberg 24%
3. Cybill Shepherd 14%

# YOUR

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

*favorites*

# NM

## Most Hated

1. Pee-Wee Herman 84%
2. Joan Collins 9%
3. Cybill Shepherd 7%

# YOUR

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

*favorites*



## BRIGHT LIGHTS, DREAMS

**W**e all dream of seeing our names in bright lights, but for most of us it is only a dream. The closest NM students get to becoming famous is having a favorite male and female movie star

"I love Harrison Ford," said Monti Morley, "Since the beginning of the ninth grade I have kept a scrapbook full of pictures and articles about him."

Students have many reasons for choosing the movie stars to be their favorite. Their reasons are based on: looks, talent, age, and personality.

"My favorite actress is Betty Davis," said Darla McCurry, "She has been around for some time now, and is really good at what she does. I admire her for what she stands for."

Movie stars can be well liked or disliked, it is all in the way they present themselves. High school students like the movie stars to be level-headed and not off in fantasy land

"Pee-Wee Herman is the all time dumbest person in films, and his movie and TV cartoon show is dumb right along with him," Julie Hawkins said.



Arranging pinups of her favorite movie stars, Meredith Harris tapes them to the wall. Pinups and posters are common adornments of the walls in students rooms.  
Photo by Jennifer Mastin



Jetty Everett — 11  
 Chandra Ewalt — 10  
 Scott Fade — 10  
 Lisa Fahey — 11  
 Sandy Falk — 11  
 Cynthia Farley — 11  
 Anne Farmer — 10  
 Brian Farmer — 11

Brent Farr — 10  
 Teresa Faucett — 10  
 Heather Feiton — 11  
 Ronnie Fendley — 10  
 Mary Fernandez — 11  
 Russell Ferrell — 10  
 Brian Fields — 11  
 Leslie Fischer — 9

Jamie Fisher — 10  
 Jennifer Fisher — 11  
 Lynn Flach — 11  
 Anne Flanagan — 10  
 Ron Flanagan — 10  
 Robert Flanagan — 10  
 Pamela Flynn — 10  
 Danny Focs — 11

David Ford — 10  
 Laura Ford — 9  
 Melissa Ford — 10  
 Michael Formoso — 9  
 Scott Fornero — 10  
 Christi Foster — 11  
 Lisa Foster — 11  
 Mark Foster — 11

Eric Fochergill — 11  
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 Paula Frick — 10

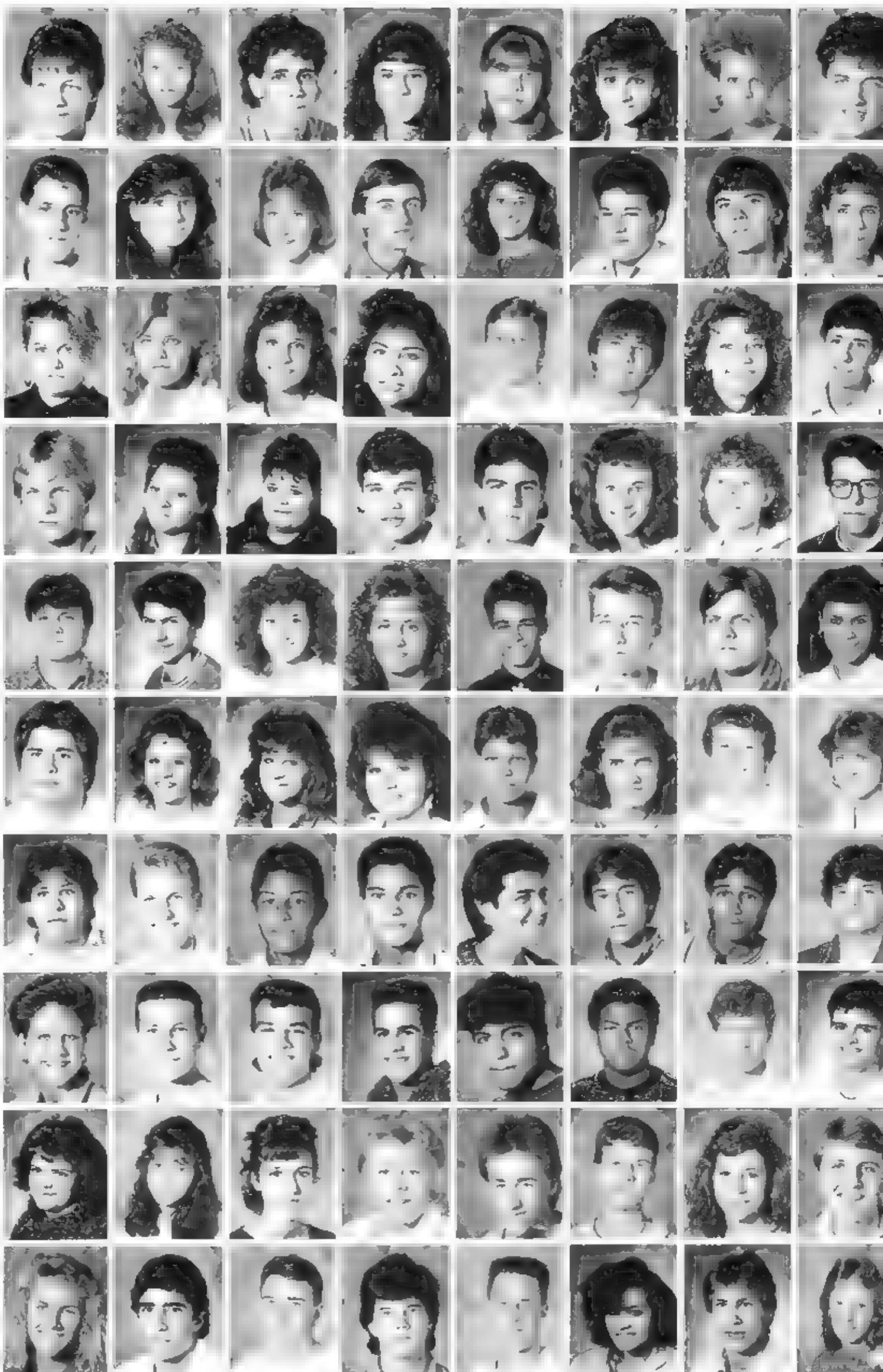
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 Sandra Fuga — 11  
 Carolyn Fuller — 11  
 Wendy Fultz — 11  
 Warren Fyffe — 10  
 Lisa Gaddis — 10  
 Brian Gaines — 9  
 Micki Gallagher — 10

Paul Gambrell — 11  
 Jason Ganze — 11  
 Genel Garcia — 10  
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 Luis Garcia — 11  
 Mark Garcia — 10  
 Michael Garcia — 10  
 Eric Gardner — 9

Julie Garee — 10  
 Robert Garner — 11  
 Chris Garza — 11  
 Gus Garza — 10  
 Joaquin Garza — 10  
 Robert Garza — 10  
 Brent Gass — 11  
 Craig Gascon — 11

Jackie Gaston — 10  
 Trudy Gatewood — 10  
 Kara Gaultney — 11  
 Kristie Gehring — 10  
 Dale Gentry — 11  
 Brad Geron — 10  
 Terry Geron — 11  
 Steve Gerstung — 10

Charla Gervers — 11  
 Giovanni Getto — 10  
 Jason Gues — 10  
 Patrick Gilkey — 10  
 Dan Gil — 10  
 Dayna Giliard — 11  
 Rick G.ison — 10  
 Carla Girard — 9



## Food

1. Pizza 55%
2. Steak 28%
3. Mexican 17%



## TOP OF THE TUNES

There is no rule saying, "When you start high school, you stop watching cartoons." Students find cartoons a way to relieve the stress. Smurfs, Jetsons, and Scooby Doo are the favorites among the Saturday morning cartoons.

"If I wake up early enough to watch cartoons, my whole day is better and I am able to forget about school," Micah Brewer said.

Some students watch television and listen to the radio at the same time. They sit in front of the TV with the volume low and head phones on their ears with the volume up loud.

"I am guilty of watching TV and listening to KHYI at the same time," said Amy Williams, "I do not want to miss any of my favorite songs."

Planted in front of the TV, munching on food is a familiar sight. Students have acquired this bad habit as the TV shows become better.

"Many times I eat in front of the TV, because I am unable to see the TV from the kitchen," said Aungelique Hobson, "I do not get a chance to watch my favorite shows all the time and when the opportunity comes along I grab it regardless of where I eat."



## Cartoons

1. Smurfs 58%
2. Jetsons 26%
3. Scooby Doo 16%

## Radio

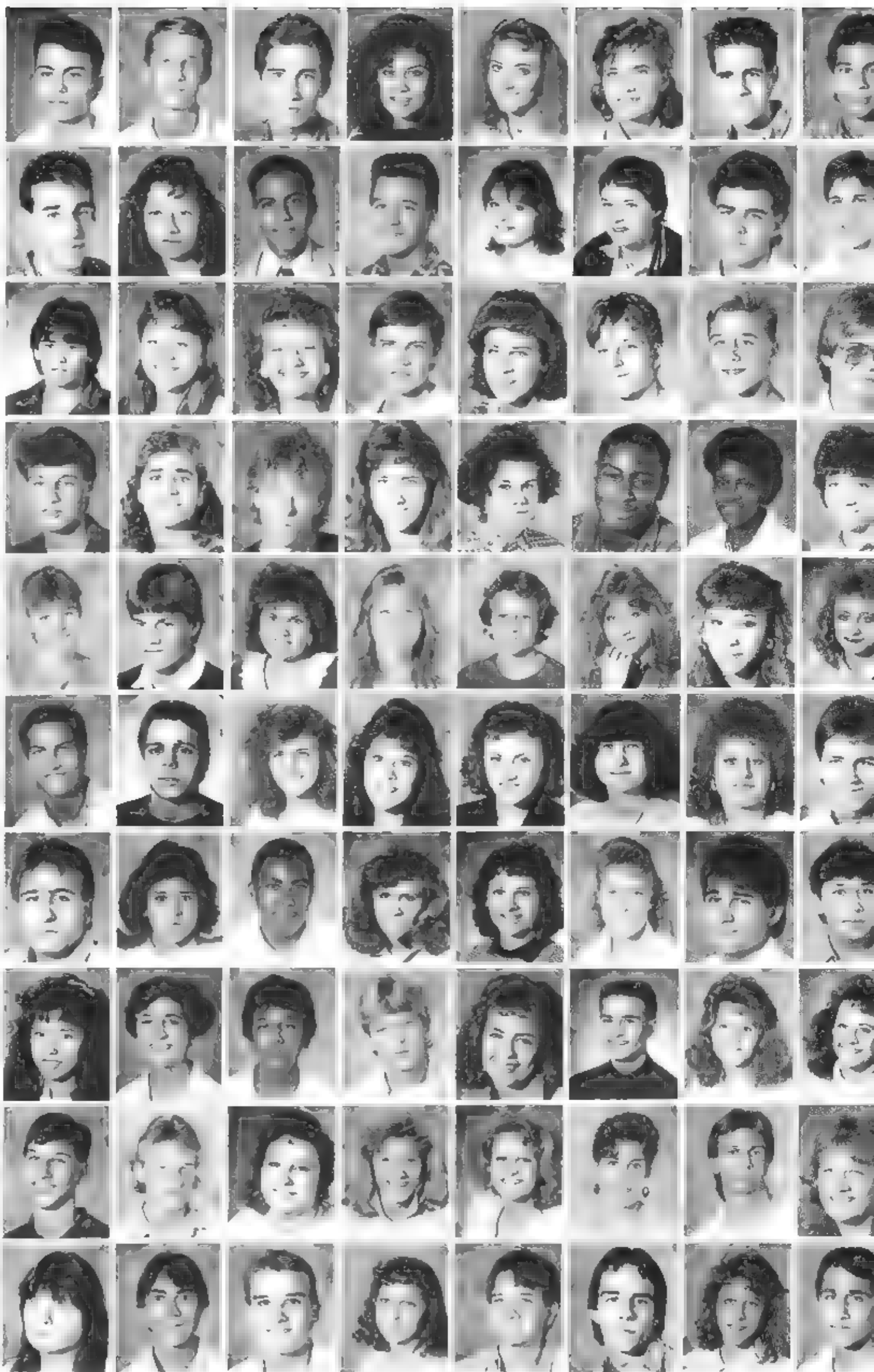
1. 94.9 50%
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3. 102 18%

# Y95



With thirty minutes left in her homeroom class, Aungelique Hobson stops working on her Chemistry to catch up on the tunes. Headsets are a popular device to bring to school when students want to listen to music. Photo by John Woodard

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## Toothpaste

1. Crest 49%
2. Colgate 30%
3. Aim 21%



## HIGH COST OF GLAMOUR

**D**on't hate me because I am beautiful," purrs Kelly LeBrock as she swings a headful of hair over her shoulders." No she is not quoting a famous line, she is advertising shampoo. Kelly is a spokesperson for Pantene, a line of hair care products.

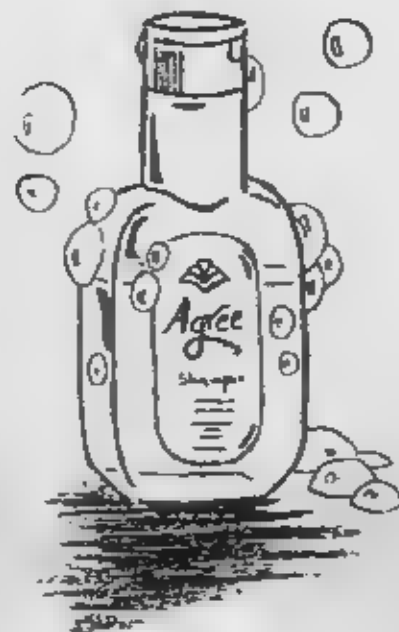
Toothpaste became tantalizing, shampoo superb and conditioner becomes carefree at the hands of talented actors and actresses. They convince the buying public to purchase a product for its glamour, while quality is somehow never mentioned.

"Yes, I buy the products because of the commercials that I see on TV," Ann Coffy said.

Students do buy. A generation marked by a certain materialism, we are always looking for some new idea. From Spritz to Scrunch Spray, we want "the look." Our teeth glimmer from Crest to Aquafresh with maybe a little added tooth polish. Cost of hygiene is not cheap. Suave shampoo and conditioner is \$1.12, while Crest is \$1.49 for a family tube.

Whether choosing shampoo or a new car, students are always looking for a little fun.

"I get bored with using the same product, so I use Ivory shampoo and Agree conditioner, to add spice to my roots," Adrian Avila said.



Scrubbing her teeth before taking off to zero period, is Beth Videan. Her favorite kind of toothpaste is Crest.  
Photo by Jennifer Martin

## Shampoo

1. Agree 46%
2. Ivory 36%
3. Pert 18%

## Conditioner

1. Clean and Clear 27%
2. Perma Soft 54%
3. Pert 19%

## Switch to

# SOAP!

As two girls stop to talk in the hall, they are occasionally jostled by the crowd of students, but neither seems to be aware of this fact as their conversation becomes more intense.

Suddenly a girl screeched, 'Frankie actually went to the dance as the chaperone's date! I don't believe it!'

This small example shows how easily the subject of soap operas can slip into everyday conversation. The soap discussed is determined by what these watchers prefer or consider important.

"Although an exciting plot is important for ratings, I think what makes a soap is cute, talented actors and the characters they portray," Kim Collins said.

"When I stay home from school the day seems to drag on. Watch-

"I like to watch 'Days of our Lives' because you never know what is going to happen next."  
— Christy Carey

"The soaps, Guiding Light and One Life to Live are what I watch. I've got six years of soaps on video tape."  
— Cliff Cosby

"Soaps are what I'd describe as juicy and unpredictable. That's why they are so popular."  
— Amanda Peters

ing soaps like 'The Young and the Restless' helps pass the time," Pacy Leon said.

The girls' conversation ended as the sound of the bell echoed in the hall and the girls raced for class. The subject will come up again, but curiosity has been temporarily satisfied.



Bored with the usual TV shows, Tim Barnett switches the channel to a soap opera. Tim has his own color SONY set in his room. *Photo by John Holt*

Sitting in front of his TV, Donald Coffman and his dog, Flash watch his soap "All My Children." Students usually tape their favorite soap opera on video tape when they are at school. *Photo by John Holt*

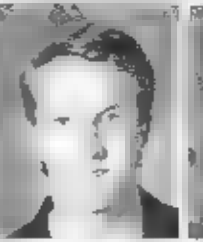


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# On the

# LINE!

Words create a picture. When listening to a friend's endless chatter over the phone, teenagers can almost visualize how the class looked as they were assigned a hundred geometry problems or hear the laughter of a funny joke.

"When I talk on the phone, I like to find out what is happening in friends' lives," Monica Calicchio said.

Phone conversations can recreate the day's events or invent new ones. That's what 976 numbers are trying to create by offering numbers to call and listen to a story on the phone. If that did not appeal to the person, then he could call and listen to jokes, horoscopes or talk with strangers.

"I think 976 numbers are stu-

"When there's no possible way to talk to a friend in person I'll call them."  
— Princess Allen

"I can spend hour after hour on the phone and really talk about nothing."  
— Tricia Chaney

"I'll call up friends when I'm bored, and the topics vary from school to the latest fashions in clothes."  
— Duc Le

pid and a waste of money too," Cindy Perry said.

"It's not worth it because you don't get what you expect for the two dollar fee you pay," said Matt Rosales. Some kids parents are surprised by the extra charge on the phone bill at the end of the month."

Hoping to squeeze a quick call in the five minutes between classes, Kevin Pogue and Kevin Myrick wait for Tomy Urrutia to end his conversation. *Photo by John Holt*

Discussing weekend plans, Amy Cross talks with a friend. At school most calls are made by students. *Photo by John Holt.*

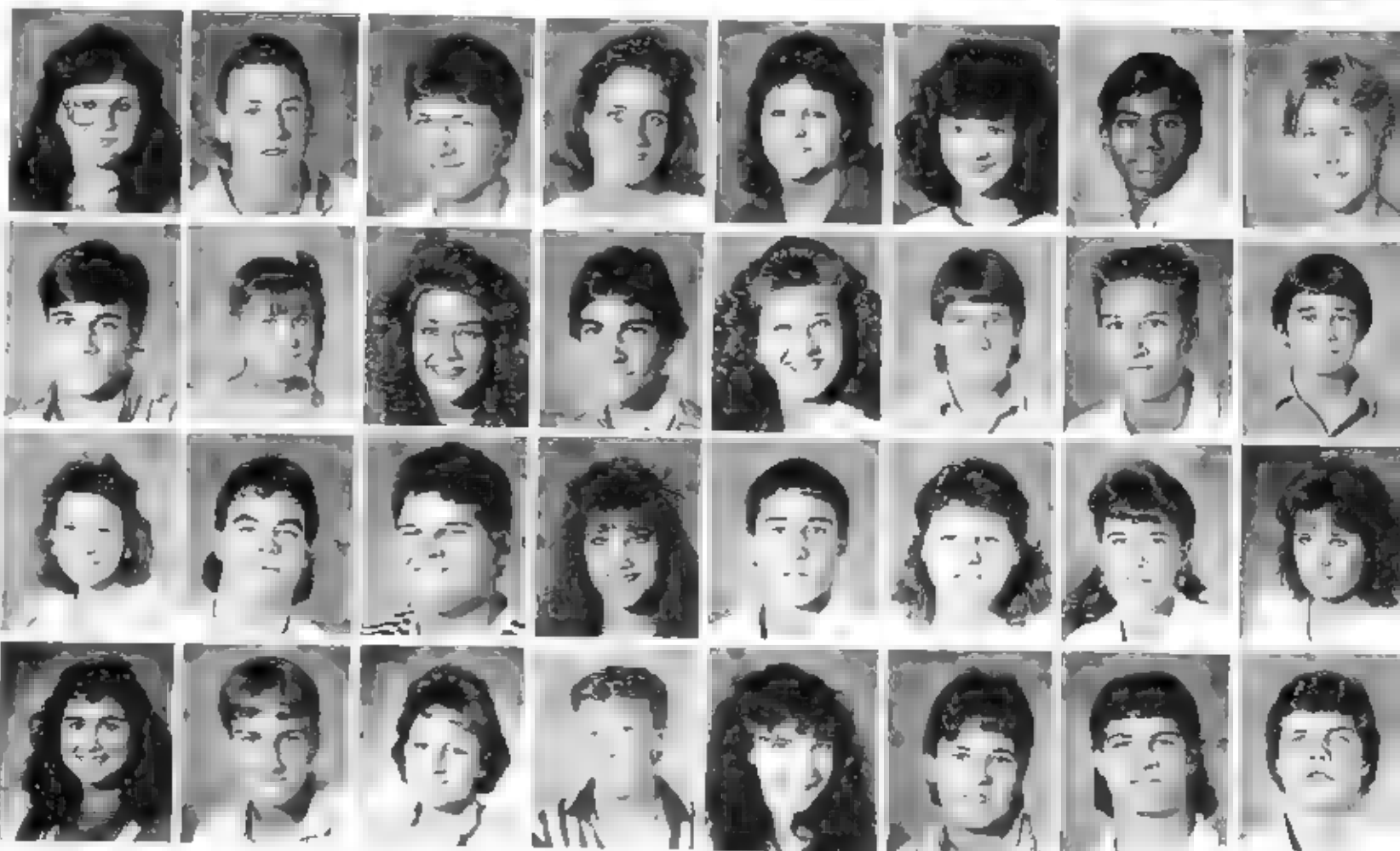


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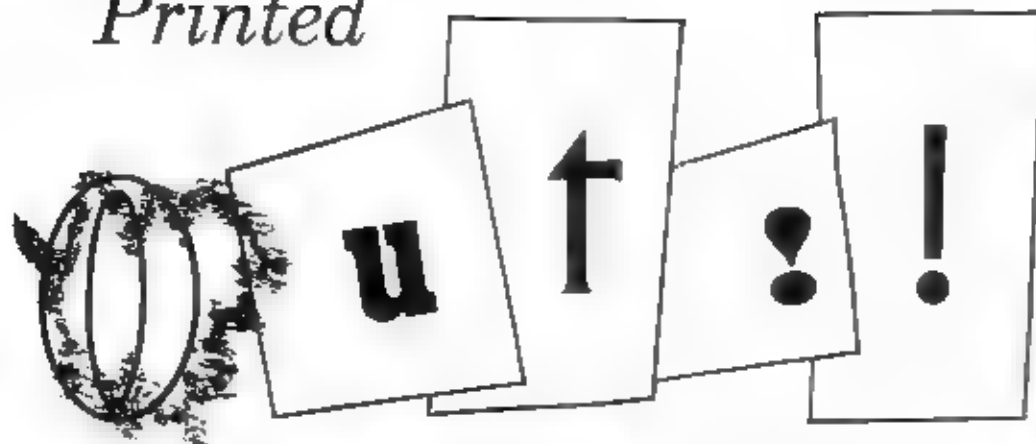
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# Printed



On the glossy cover a male poses casually in the latest trend while a "smartly" dressed girl pretends to be laughing at something he said. Welcome to the picture perfect life.

Fashion magazines such as *GQ* (*Gentleman's Quarterly*), show the clothes of your dreams. *Seventeen* and other teenage magazines project the perfect life — from how to get him to notice to makeup tips.

"*TEEN* magazine's focus is to make its reader feel good about themselves and how they look," Becky McGuire said.

Featuring the hottest on music and groups, is *Rolling Stone*. While *Sports Illustrated* prints what the readers are interested in.

"To me *Sports Illustrated* seems to enjoy producing the finer things

I love the *Starburst* because it talks about the new wave bands that I like.  
— Dana Daff

It's a girl's picture in on the front cover of a magazine I usually pick it up to read something about him, and see what she is made.  
— Lyn Hunter

My favorite magazine is *Sports Illustrated*, because I like to read about football and that is my main focus.  
— Michael Moody

in life. The swimsuit issue, Danny Slate said.

Magazine covers tell it all. They illustrate readers' interests and hobbies. Eye-catching covers show samples of what is inside the magazine and attract the attention of readers to articles that say "what's happening



Trying to satisfy her inquiring mind on if her favorite actor will be in a new fall TV show, Jackie Cook checks out the *National Enquirer* stories that tell of the future ranked high with students. Photo by George Thixton

Arriving early to class, Bert Bradbury passes the time by reading a feature article on the stock market crash. Other main topics consisted of ending the rumors of how to get AIDS and facts about the Nicaraguan War. Photo by George Thixton

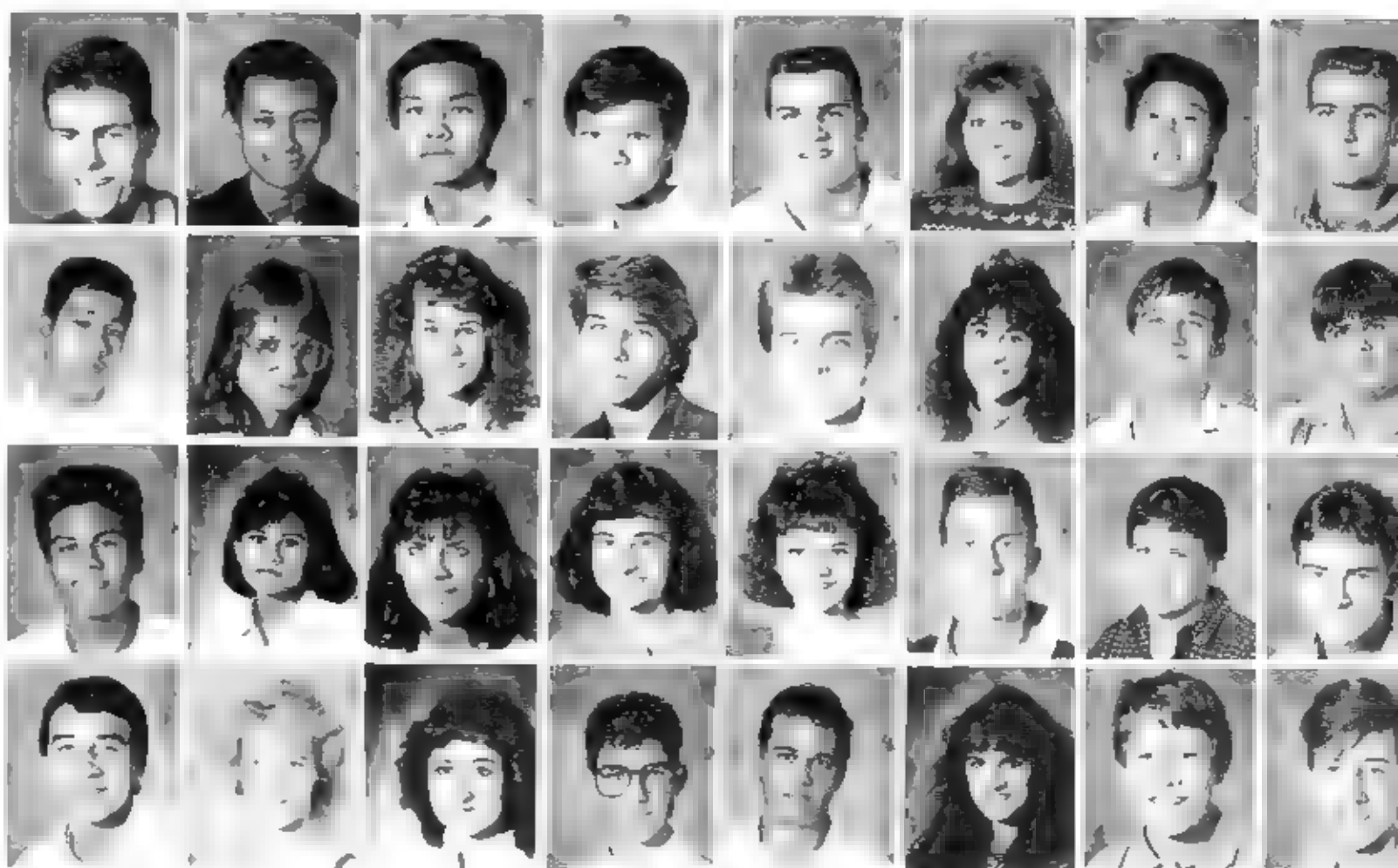


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# Carry a

# TUNE!

Driving through the crowded parking lot at school, students sing along with Pebble's voice in the song "Girlfriend," the song that made Top Ten on the music charts and top choice of students. As students dial their locker combinations, they find themselves humming the popular song, "I saw him standing there," sung by Tiffany, the teenage singer. This hit was a remake of the Beate's song "I saw her standing there."

As the latest songs blared from the speakers, teenagers relax with the upbeat tune, mentally putting homework and the rest of life aside for a little while.

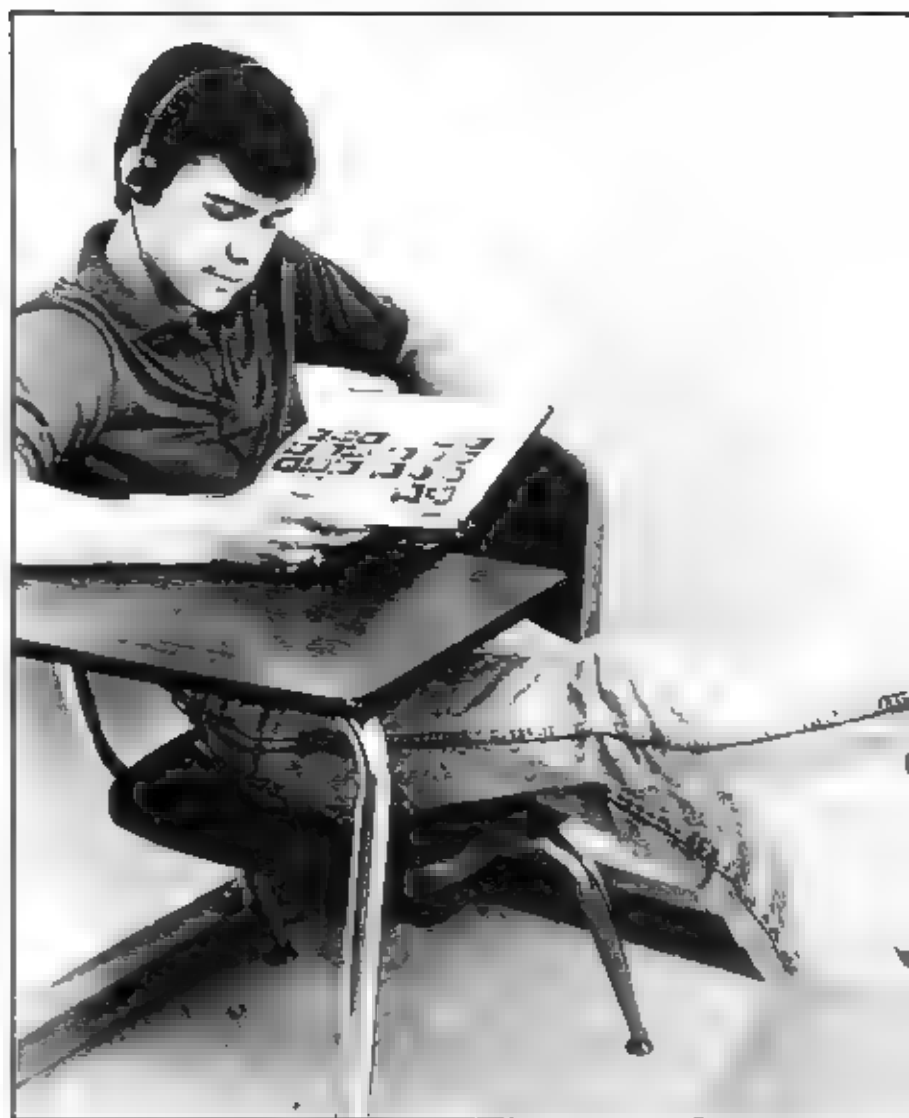
"The way to listen to music is loud so that the other sounds don't interfere," Tim Althar said.

Everyone had his own tastes, including their choice of music. Whether it be rock'n'roll, country,

- Commercials really bore me, and when I am listening to the radio I change the station it one happens to come on. — Lora Starns
- I listen to U2 because I like what they stand for. — Joaquin Garza
- I find country music easy to dance to and it calms my nerves. — Luis Gover

new wave, or heavy metal, depends on what the listener likes, type of person they are, or what they feel like listening to at the moment.

"The station I listen to is determined by what kind of mood I'm in. For example when I'm angry, I listen to soft music for a calming effect," Michelle Robinson said.



Concentrating on the music, Kyle Heron shuts himself off from fourth period. Though not seen during school, numerous headphones appeared after school. Photo by George Thixton

Stopping at her locker after school, Melanie Kerry takes advantage of her extra time to play a new tape. Many students stored radios, headphones and tapes in their lockers just in case they needed them. Photo by George Thixton

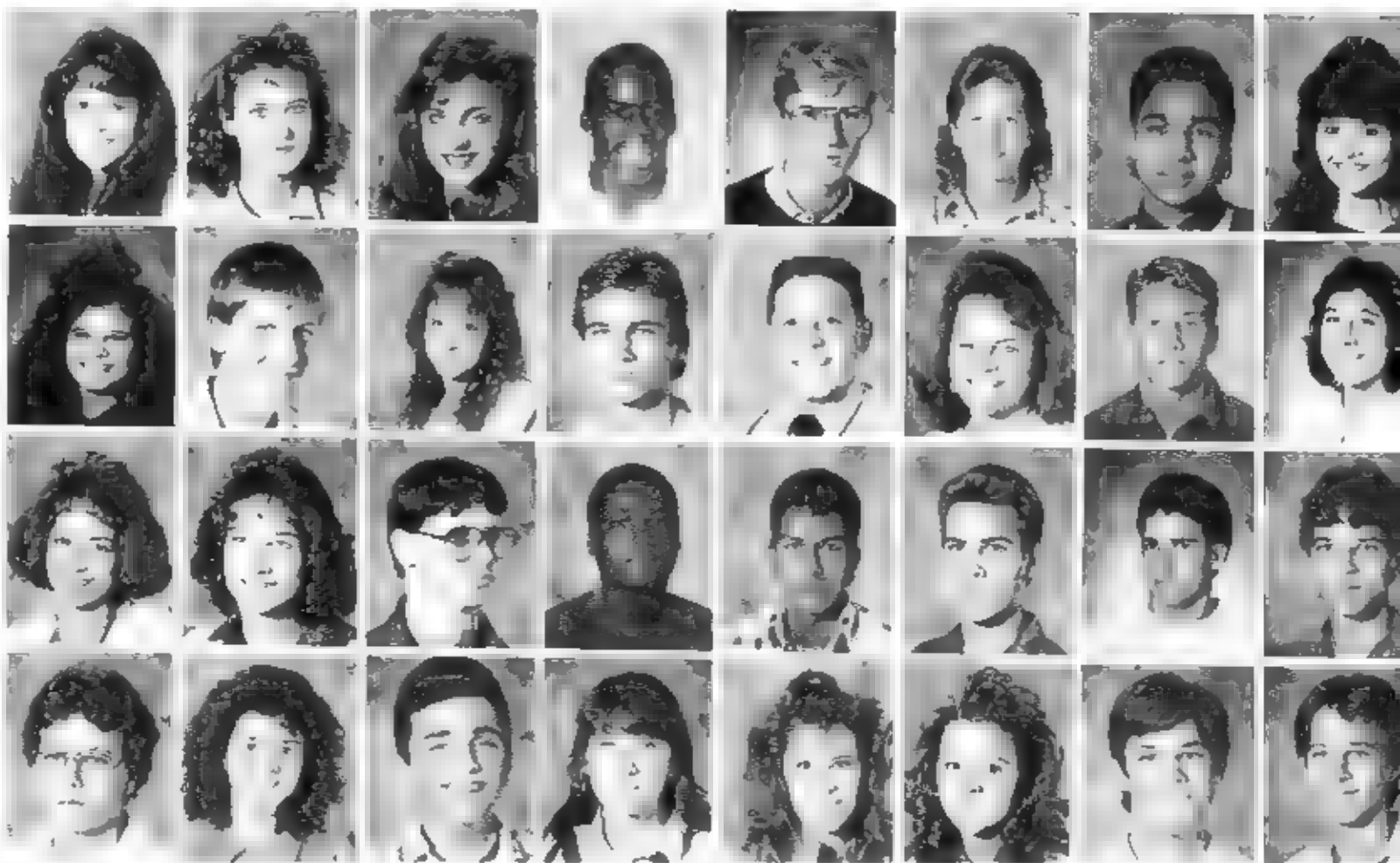


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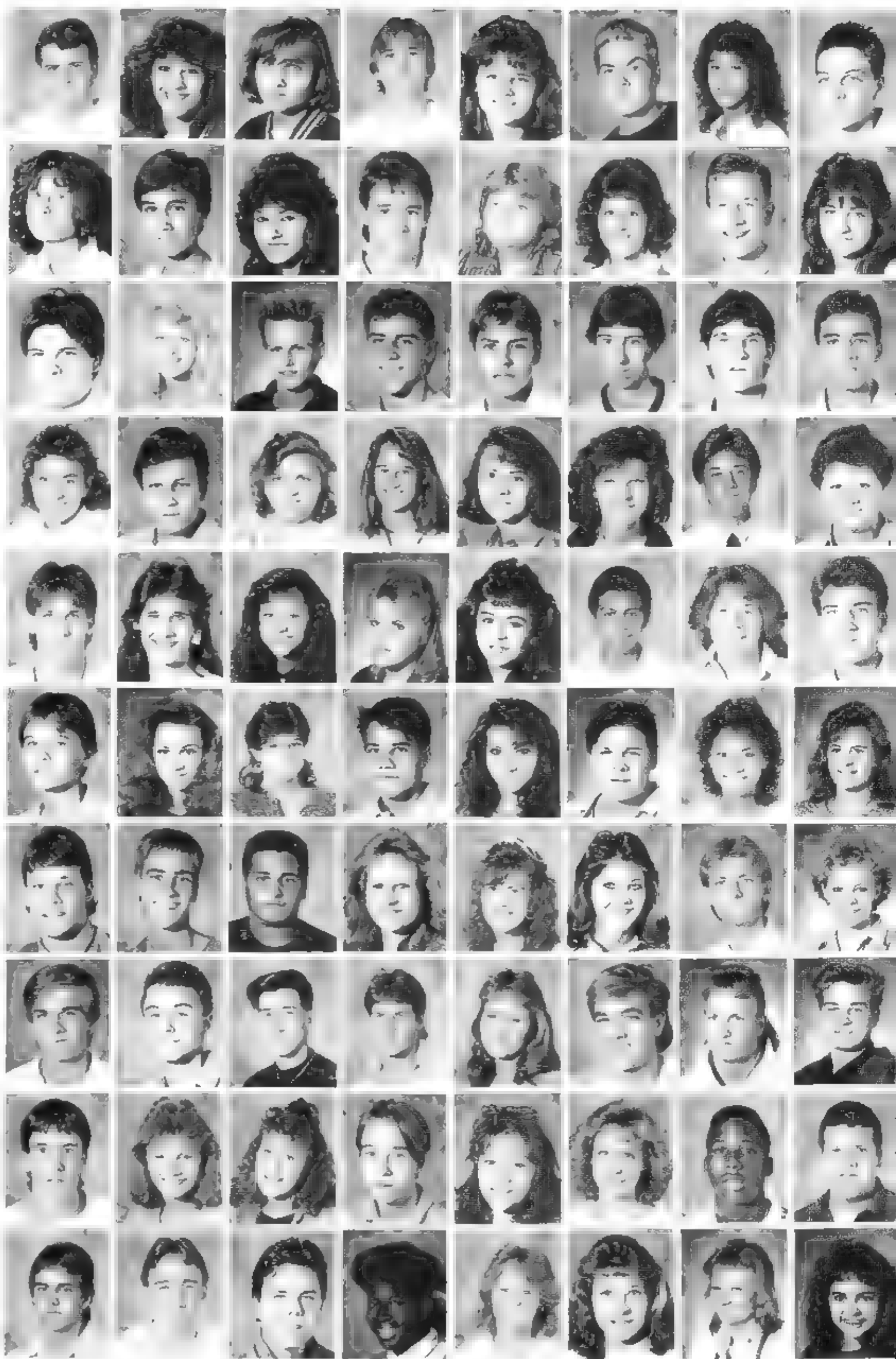
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# ON THE



As a reading assignment of *Huckleberry Finn* Aimee Bruce and Sulu Mandani use their time "efficiently" in Gay Bennett's Honor English classes, her students read the longtime classic. Photo by John Holt

There is a guy next to her who is known for his brains. If one were to ask him a simple question he would always answer in complete sentences.

Another talent of his was his ability to rattle off the entire periodic chart.

They are the kind of students who teachers love and whose report cards other students would die for.

Yesterday's image of the brain group was students who wore their pants up to their thighs with pens in their pockets.

Today, they blend into the crowd unless they compare report cards. Needless to say the non-brain turns green with envy.

Brains are studying while the average student cheerfully ignores their Algebra homework. It all pays off at the end of every six weeks when everyone else gets yelled at for their grades and the brains can go out for a well-deserved break.



All were students but each in a class of their own.



This duo, Chuck Rowlingston and Cynthia Horton plan to attend Steven F. Austin in the fall of '88. Chuck on a soccer scholarship and Cynthia on a four year basketball scholarship. Photo by John Holt

Playing tennis on a nice sunny day with friends, a day of fun. Okay, this is not what one would call a *serious* player, right?

A description of a jock is a person who develops a deep love for a sport and works to be the best he can be.

'Darn! It's raining, can't practice today!' is the response of a semi-jock. A true jock would have just settled for the gym with the thought of "whipping the pants off" of an opponent.

Other students chose a more strenuous sport.

'Lifting weights gives me a good feeling. It not only keeps me in shape, but I get a sense of accomplishment that I can lift more weight than ever before,' Mario Patlan said.

So to those who think tennis as just for fun, don't be insulted. These students consider it to be a challenge and love it.

Going from long hair to a style that is long on one side and short on the other is one way to identify someone who wants to be different. Another way would be to look at their attire, jeans with holes in the knees and safety pins on the seams.

"I do not want to look like everybody else at this school," said Kristin Gray, "I like to have a uniqueness about the way I look."

"My closet is mainly full of clothes with black and blue, I want my clothes to reflect my personality 'strange'," Aimee Farmer said.

Punks in for John Surgeon and Tammy Darland. Their clothes put them apart from the usual and ordinary. Photo by John Holt

Robert Puskasich — 11  
 Dennis Putnam — 11  
 Joe Puyear — 11  
 Marcus Ragsdale — 11  
 Toby Ragsdale — 9  
 Shane Rauner — 10  
 Roxanne Ramirez — 11  
 Todd Ramsey — 11



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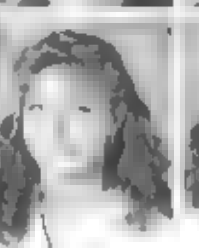
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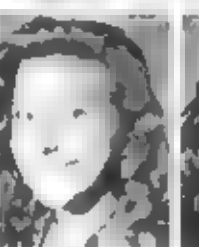
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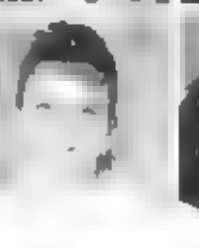
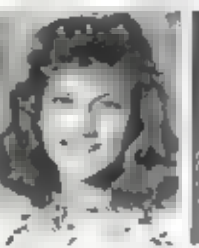
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Jerry Robert — 11  
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 Brad Robertson — 9  
 Jason Robertson — 9  
 Amy Robinson — 10  
 Lori Robinson — 11  
 Michelle Robinson — 10  
 Jason Robinson — 11



Chris Roehen — 11  
 Tahmmy Roden — 11  
 Billy Rodgers — 10  
 Chuck Rodgers — 11  
 Niki Rodgers — 10  
 Adrianna Rodriguez — 11  
 Brinda Rodriguez — 11  
 Benny Rodriguez — 11



Dianne Rodriguez — 11  
 Elias Rodriguez — 10  
 Gabe Rodriguez — 10  
 Kim Rodriguez — 10  
 Miranda Rodriguez — 10  
 Rebecca Rodriguez — 10  
 Tam Romero — 10  
 Rox Rommel — 10



Marcos Rosales — 11  
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 Lisa Ross — 10  
 Mark Ross — 11  
 Steven Ross — 10





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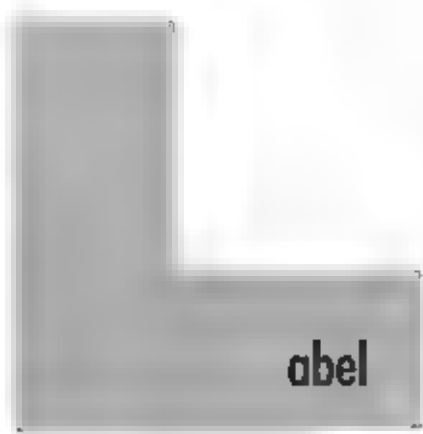


at his locker before school. Ronnie Mason and Hwa-  
ng Chung get out the books he'll need for first  
period class. New Wave closely resembles the Punk  
group, but New Wavers dressed in more fash-  
ionable, "dressy" clothes. Photo by John Holt

**P**laid with polka dots, stripes with  
checked, lace with army boots/  
Well, that's exaggerating it a bit,  
but students get the general idea.

Unique and one of a kind, that's the  
description of New Wave. These selected  
few have the ability to create new outfits and  
usually the clothes wouldn't dare be uttered  
on the same breath let alone worn together!  
But somehow these creative dressers make  
the combinations work! Each day they show  
up in a cool but a one of a kind outfit. Their  
views on school? They are interested in art  
and use their clothes to create art.

New Wave express themselves to anyone  
who sees them through their offbeat clothes.  
Their main interests center on art, and  
they use clothes for style. An artist uses paint  
on a canvas whose creating a masterpiece



Everyone  
knows  
who they  
are -  
their  
clothes  
tell it  
all . . .



This conversation centered on the Mesquite Rodeo  
where John Holt and Julie McLaughlin are regulars.  
Rodeos lasted through the summer. Photo by Jenny Mile.

**L**oud shuffling of boots was distracting,  
and without even looking students knew  
the familiar sound whenever a roper was  
around.

Originally these cowboys and cowgirls  
now called ropers could be found out West  
singing "Roll On Little Doggie" as the sun  
went down. Now, ropers clunk down the  
school hall in roperboots, Wrangler jeans and  
the hat riding low over the eyes.

Their way of dressing practically shouts  
the "rough" image.

"If you were to look into my closet all you  
would see would be jeans and maybe a few  
dresses," Amber Yates said.

**R**anging from the traditional oxfords and  
penny loafers to the trendy clothes,  
preps have a style of their own. Some  
people call it class, some call it money, but  
whatever the name it all adds up to preppie.

"In school, preps are the ones who always  
wear conservative clothes, but they are stylish  
too," Dotie King said.

Stripes were in order of preppies as Leann Henry and  
Ricky Parker discuss their routine for the day. Preps  
spent lots of money to be considered a prep. Photo by  
John Holt

Amy Roren — 10  
 Danny Roren — 10  
 Kyle Rorenberry — 11  
 Javey Rubio — 10  
 Shawn Ruff — 11  
 Sal Ruiz — 10  
 Christy Runtyon — 10  
 Travis Ruzicka — 11



Carrie Ryals — 9  
 Steve Sagraves — 11  
 Michiko Sakomoto — 11  
 Anselmo Salazar — 11  
 Gracia Samaras — 10  
 Quenton Sallows — 10  
 Michelle Salmon — 11  
 Tony Salmon — 11



David Sampies — 10  
 Tammy Sampies — 10  
 Cathy Samuels — 10  
 Linda Sanchez — 10  
 Mike Sanchez — 10  
 Julie Sandercederlof — 10  
 Chari Sanders — 10  
 Cobie Sanders — 10



Matt Sanders — 10  
 Kirk Saunders — 10  
 Vicki Scherer — 11  
 Tony Schmitz — 11  
 Scott Scholfeld — 11  
 Shannon Schone — 10  
 Dale Scoggins — 10  
 Darren Schriener — 11



Jennifer Seabolt — 11  
 Monica Seabolt — 10  
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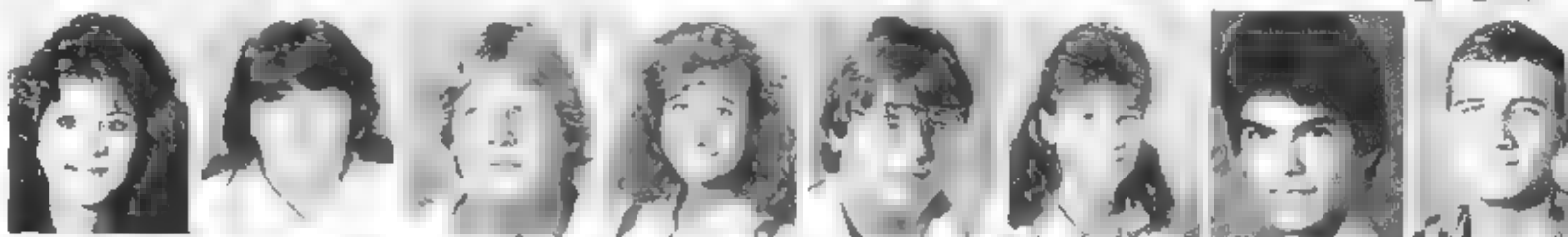
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 Shawn Shelton — 11  
 Steven Shewmaker — 11  
 Danny Shidid — 11  
 Todd Shipley — 10



Pete Shipman — 10  
 Scott Sholar — 10  
 Shelly Short — 10  
 Michelle Shreves — 11  
 Rachel Schrode — 10  
 Shadiq Siddiqui — 10  
 Bernette Sieber — 10  
 Jennifer Sikielski — 11



Brenda Sifuentes — 11  
 Angie Silas — 11  
 David Simmons — 10  
 Matt Simmons — 11  
 Paul Simmons — 11  
 Shelly Simmons — 11  
 Kelly Simpson — 11  
 Richie Simpson — 10



Tommy Simpson — 10  
 Kirk Sims — 10  
 Lisa Singer — 11  
 Danny Sisk — 11  
 Carrie Skau — 10  
 Carol Skelton — 11  
 Paula Slape — 10  
 Danny Slate — 10



Jimmy Sloan — 10  
 Danny Skodowick — 11  
 Jason Slien — 11  
 Angela Smith — 11  
 April Smith — 11  
 Brad Smith — 10  
 Carrie Smith — 10  
 Chad Smith — 10



# ON THE

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'Clothes  
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Man', but  
Kids  
always  
wear

What is in!



fashionable attire, two NM students talk about  
test clothes design by popular manufacturer Bugle

**T**ake your pick: Guess, Girano, Terra, Rude Dog, Cavaricci, or Bugle Boy. Fashions seemed to be in one week and out the very next. There were always those who seemed to keep up with the weekly fads, but they would stop at nothing to keep in the fashion. "It's tough to stay in fashion all the time," said Tiffany Heidleberg. "But it's also a lot of fun trying."

"Fashion fanatics" and "fashion freaks" were always trying to be the ones to establish the weekly trends. "You have to be able to create what hasn't been done yet," said Tiffany. "And then you have to take a chance."



Fashionably protecting her hair, Stephanie Bell gracefully gets a drink of water. "I spent hours every night trying to come up with new outfits to wear," she said.

**I**ndividualism: a difficult concept in the world of designer clothing.

"Sometimes I just see two things together, and they really look different," said Stephanie Bell. "That's how I pick out my wardrobe; whatever looks good together. That way I can get several outfits out of one."

Unique people rarely wear the exact outfit twice. "That's the beauty of it," said Stephanie. "You can mix and match and find thousands of outfits."

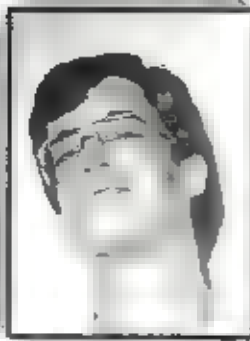
Even in a school with a student enrollment of over 2000, students still found a way to be completely different.

**T**here were always those who did not let their lives revolve around fashion. "I try to dress decently," said Kyle Herron. "I just don't get obsessed with staying in fashion from week to week."

Those who shared Kyle's feelings usually stocked their closets with t-shirts and sweats. "T-shirts and sweats are clothes that are fashionably secure," said Kyle. "They are always in style, so you don't have to worry about it."

Being comfortable is the real style of the 80's as Cynthia Horton and Kyle Herron show by wearing the most popular of all materials, denim.





# DOUBLE VISION

How do you like having 2 first names?

"Having a name that is usually used as a first as my last name doesn't bother me. I've never really given it a second thought," Charles Todd said.

For some people, though, their names did confuse people.

"Since I'm a guy, it never has bothered me too much since in sports and times like that, we get called by our last names," said Philip Thomas. "I guess I wouldn't normally know when someone was confused about my name because

it doesn't bother me to be called Thomas!"

"I never get called Todd because I like Charles much better," Charles Todd said.

Though it would be easy for someone to accidentally call him Todd Charles, he found that it rarely happened.

"The biggest problem that I have with my name is people calling me John (that is my twin's name) than Todd," said Charles Todd. "I can't think of a single time when I have been called Todd!"

Chad Smith — 10  
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Chris Smith — 11  
Chris Smith — 10  
Donna Smith — 10  
Gary Smith — 10  
Jason Smith — 10  
Jeff Smith — 10

Kevin Smith — 9  
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Kim Smith — 10  
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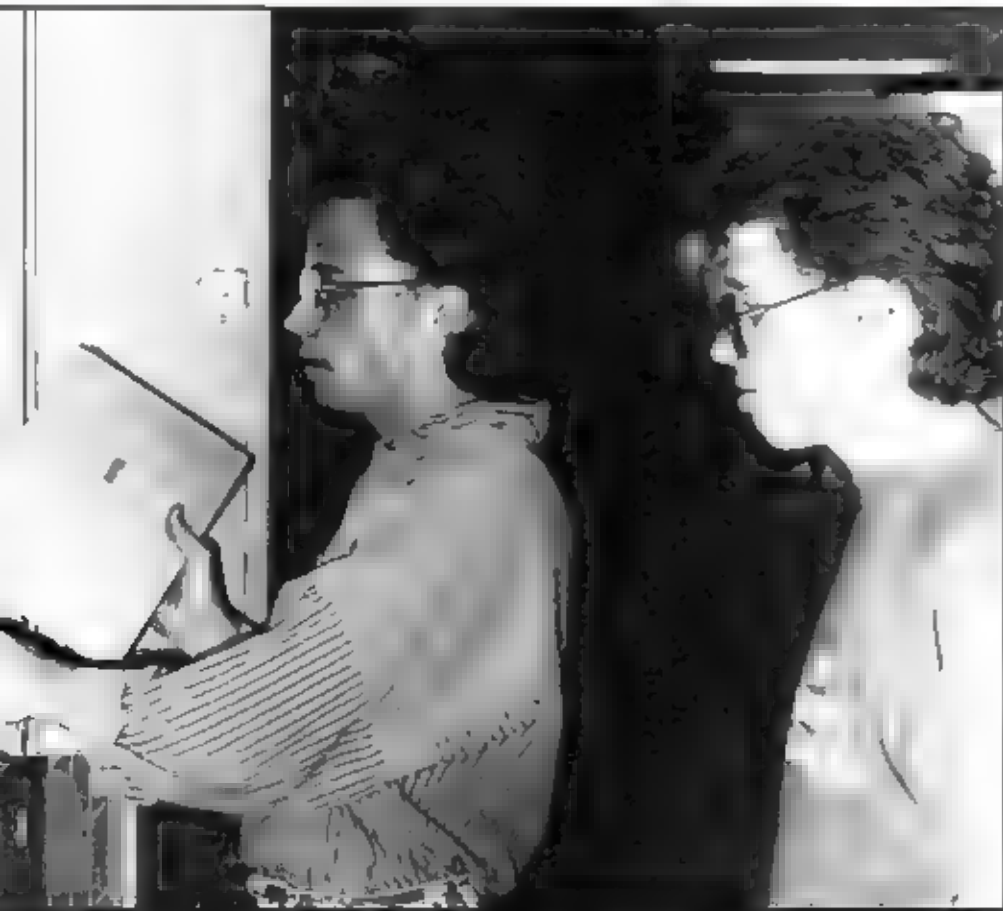
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Keith Snodgrass — 11  
Kevin Snodgrass — 10  
David Snyder — 10  
Michelle Snyder — 11  
Kimberly Southern — 11

Christie Sparrow — 10  
Stephanie Spaulding — 10  
Stacy Spears — 11  
Robert Spencer — 9  
Patrick Square — 11  
Joseph Stachowiak — 10  
Jennifer Stambaugh — 10  
Alan Staples — 11

Ursula Stark — 10  
Jay Starnes — 11  
Lora Starnes — 10  
Tracy Starnes — 9  
Dane Steelman — 11  
Shannon Steep — 11  
Dane Stegall — 11  
Stanley Stephen — 10

Tiffany Sterling — 11  
Michele Stewart — 10  
Joanne Stiff — 10  
Shawn Strivers — 10  
Barbara Stokes — 11  
Julie St. John — 10  
Rita St. John — 10  
Sheina Stone — 10





# ONLY BY NAME

During medieval times . . . throughout Europe . . . where the winters were cold . . . there worked tailors. Everyone from nobles clear down the social ladder to the poverty-stricken needed a "great cloak" to keep warm, so the tailors worked long hours.

Since they provided such an important service, they became well-respected. As years passed, the spelling of tailor transformed into the current spelling tailor but another occupation-related name had already been established — Taylor.

Remembering his government homework, Billy Cross gets his book out of their locker while Jackie has twin waits patiently. Their taste in clothes shows their different personalities though.



Jon Stovall — 11  
Tracy Stover — 10  
Marcy Straley — 11  
Jennifer Strange — 10  
Sheree Stringer — 10  
Dawn Stringfellow — 9  
Sonja Sturgeon — 10  
Philip Suder

Lisa Summer — 10  
Kathy Sumner — 10  
Ting Sun — 11  
Sandy Supina — 11  
Heather Swindell — 10  
Lee Swindell — 10  
Ronald Syblak — 11  
Monica Tafur — 10

Katrina Tanco — 11  
John Tanksley — 10  
Jennifer Tanton — 11  
David Taplin — 11  
Jena Tawater — 11  
Bryan Taylor — 10  
Jay Taylor — 10  
Kenny Taylor — 11

Laurie Taylor — 10  
Michelle Taylor — 11  
Stacy Taylor — 11  
Christi Terry — 10  
Jennifer Terry — 11  
Kyle Terry — 11  
Sharla Tharp — 11  
Brian Thomas — 10

Jeff Thomas — 10  
Katy Thomas — 11  
Kymberl Thomas — 9  
Libby Thomas — 11  
Tim Thomas — 10  
Sherry Thompson — 11  
Chris Thompson — 11  
Rashunda Thompson — 11

Traci Thron — 11  
Trent Thrasher — 11  
Pollye Thomeberry — 11  
Marc Tillery — 11  
Regina Tischmacher — 10  
Charles Todd — 11  
Michelle Today — 10  
David Torres — 11



# ONE IN A MILLION

What's the worst part about having an unusual last name?

I guess you could say that I have the worst time with people trying to pronounce my last name. Then again, they can't seem to get the spelling right either," William Uloth said.

To explain the comment, William went on to talk about some of his experiences with the name — Uloth.

"On the first day of school, for instance, it is really frustrating," said William. "I have to teach six teachers how to say Uloth. After the first day, the battle is not won yet, though. It takes some teachers a long time to remember how to say it right."

After teaching someone how to pronounce an

unusual name, the next task is to get them to spell it right. Often people who have two unusual names end up slowly spelling their names one letter at a time. "There have been times when I tried to quickly spell Uloth only to have them say 'U-loth' and I had to spell it slowly U-l-o-t-h."

People even have trouble spelling some names when they are written down.

"People sometimes spell my last name 'U' because when I write Uloth the 'U' and 'l' look like a 'W'," William Uloth said. "If my last name was something simple like Smith or Jones, anything that people know how to spell."

Karina Torres — 11  
Michele Torres — 11  
Colby Tow — 10  
Krisun Tow — 10  
Jennifer Townsend — 11  
Justin Trail — 11  
Tiet Tran — 10  
Joseph Trespeces — 11

Tuan Truong — 11  
Terr. True — 10  
James Trussel — 11  
Louise Tschersich — 10  
Amy Tunnell — 11  
Amanda Turner — 10  
Miracle Tutor — 10  
Russell Tynan — 10

Jason Tyner — 10  
Melissa Underwood — 10  
Tommy Urutia — 10  
Ricky Valentino — 11  
Raymond Valera — 11  
Guadalupe Valicjo — 9  
Megan Vance — 11  
Ha Van Hang — 11

Joel Van Horn — 10  
Kay Van Meter — 11  
Julie Vanvessem — 10  
Mark Vanvessem — 11  
Bindu Varghese — 11  
Kunien Varghese — 11  
Nicole Varner — 11  
Bart Vasquez — 11

Pete Vasquez — 10  
Sylvia Vasquez — 10  
Jason Vaughan — 11  
Melissa Vaughan — 9  
Nathan Vaughan — 9  
Wayne Vaughn — 11  
Christy Veatch — 10  
Eric Vensko — 11

Brian Vestal — 11  
Brent Vilanueva — 10  
Oliver Villaruel — 10  
Cheri Visage — 10  
Mark Vrzak — 11  
Mikhail Votkov — 10  
Hai Vu — 11  
Thuy Vu — 11







# ONLY BY NAME

Unsurprisingly, most Wilsons do not live up to the meaning of their Scottish surname which means the "son of William." William was the name of William the Conqueror, his son; and William I and II — all of whom played important roles in history when surnames were developing.

Being descendants of a prince of Denmark, the Wilsons moved southward from the Orkney Islands to England. As they journeyed, their slogan was "Wil sone will."

Camping out in the homemaking room, Louise Tsiersch searches for the answer to a World History question in Mike Morris' class. People often just stared at her name when they tried to pronounce it.



Richard Wade — 9  
Mike Wadsworth — 10  
Gail Wagner — 11  
Rusty Wagner — 10  
Shanette Wagner — 10  
Jennifer Walcek — 10  
Lisa Walcek — 10  
Jennifer Waker — 10

Susan Waker — 11  
Pernell Wall — 10  
Clair Wallace — 10  
Janda Wallace — 10  
Michelle Wallace — 10  
Ana Waser — 10  
Devron Wasing — 11  
Brian Ward — 10

Chen Warden — 10  
Shari Warner — 11  
Tamara Warner — 10  
Todd Warner — 10  
Diana Warr — 10  
Steve Washburn — 9  
Rodney Washington — 11  
Shaundra Waters — 11

Eddie Watkins — 10  
Jennifer Watkins — 10  
Donna Watson — 11  
Scott Watson — 10  
Janet Weaver — 11  
Mindy Weaver — 11  
Ramey Weaver — 10  
Roland Weaver — 10

Damon Webb — 10  
Deborah Weber — 10  
Dwayne Webster — 10  
Amy Welch — 11  
Bobbie Weik — 10  
Kara Weik — 10  
Wade Wendel — 10  
Becky Wason — 11

Danielle West — 10  
Jennifer West — 11  
Robyn West — 11  
Karla Westbrook — 10  
Todd Westlake — 11  
Shannon Westphal — 11  
Jason Wheat — 10  
Jason White — 10



# CORNER KID

How do you feel about sitting in alphabetical order?

Routinely teachers find it helpful to have an alphabetical seating chart. They find it helpful in learning students' names and in organizing papers for grading.

Luckily for students some teachers find this measure unnecessary but those who do insist upon seating charts according to alphabetical order cause misery and boredom for students who are "backseat regulars."

"I always get stuck in the back corner of the room since my last name starts with a 'Z,'" Todd Ziegler said. "It seems like I end up across

the room from all of my friends."

Seating charts arranged according to alphabetical order drove students crazy because they did not get to choose where they wanted to sit. To add to this, students seemed to get shoved into the same general area of the room for every class.

"I wish that teachers would put the students whose last names start with A's at the back of the room for once!" Todd Ziegler said. "I probably only would I enjoy it, but everyone else probably enjoy the change of scenery, too."

Jerry White — 9  
John White — 10  
Troy White — 10  
Donnie Whitten — 10  
Amy Whittington — 9  
Carla Whitton — 10  
Randy Whitworth — 10  
Shannon Whitworth — 11

Chris Wear — 10  
Leslie Wilburn — 11  
Anwyn Wilcox — 10  
Tanna Wiley — 11  
Stephen Wiley — 10  
Amy Williams — 11  
Brandon Williams — 10  
Brent Williams — 10

Christa Williams — 10  
Chuck Williams — 10  
Kim Williams — 10  
Lisa Williams — 11  
Pam Williams — 11  
Shayne Williams — 10  
Yolanda Williams — 10  
Kristina Williamson — 11

Brad Willis — 10  
Donna Willis — 10  
Gary Willis — 11  
Michael Willis — 10  
Lance Wilson — 10  
Pam Wilson — 10  
Shanea Wilson — 11  
Tawnya Wilson — 11

David Winkler — 10  
Dustin Wiser — 11  
Frank Wirt — 11  
Matt Wolfgang — 11  
Deelya Wood — 9  
Krisi Wood — 10  
Penni Wood — 10  
Shelly Woodard — 10





# ONLY BY NAME

Even though N.M. is located in the north central plains of Texas and there are no woods near it, there are three who share Wood as their last name. Anglo Saxon in origin, the name means "a dweller in, or near, a grove of dense growth of trees, the wild or frenzied man." At the time that this name originated, much of England was still thickly wooded even in districts that had long been settled during the time in which surnames developed. This is why Wood became a popular name for modern times. In N.M. alone, variations such as Woodall, Woodard, Woods, and Woody appear on the student roster.

Reviewing chemistry notes for a test, Anthony Martino and Bryce Boling study in the back of Phyllis Grady's class. Often from the back, the chalkboard and notes were hard to see.



John Woolard — 11  
Bethany Wooten — 10  
Aaron Workman — 10  
Shawna Workman — 11  
Brian Wright — 11  
Dennis Wright — 10  
Melissa Wright — 11  
Michelle Wright — 11

Shannon Wright — 10  
Stacey Wychopen — 11  
Tracey Wychopen — 11  
Amanda Yarbrough — 11  
Amber Yates — 11  
Lauree Yates — 11  
Lori Yates — 10  
Brittany Yelland — 10

James Yi — 10  
Danny Yoon — 10  
Toney Yoon — 10  
John York — 11  
Mike Youngblood — 11  
Michael Zackary — 11  
Todd Ziegler — 11  
Scott Zimmerman — 11

Kelly Zimmerman — 10  
Dianna Zivec — 10



# Head of the Class

**S**pending two and a half hours on each teacher evaluation and beginning the work day at 6:00 AM is par for Principal John Campbell. "Some evaluations are short, and some long," he said. "But visiting classrooms and holding conferences with parents and students is a necessary part of my 12-15 hour day. Serving young people, however, is a most rewarding career."

"The most enjoyable part of my job is assisting others, watching young people develop attitudes and assume responsibilities, helping teachers, and lending to the over-all campus morale at NMHS through

With a day beginning in the morning and not ending until late in the evening doesn't offer many chances for a break. Campbell's research shows that principals of large high schools spend twelve to fifteen hours daily in their job.

"Talking about 'breaks' . . . there are people who think a high school principal's day is approximately eight hours long, believe me, it is not," Campbell said.

Campbell's routine is usually tentatively planned, but may change through the day to meet the needs of students, teachers, and parents.

"Each day I visit classrooms,

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*"Serving young people has been the most rewarding career that I could have dreamed of pursuing. There are so very few who cannot, because of circumstances or attitudes that cannot be helped. There are multitudes of youngsters who can be helped and who appreciate any consideration, high school principals see rewards for their efforts every day," Campbell said.*

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as positive leadership as I can," Campbell said.

Every job has its peaks and valleys. Not every job can have a pleasant atmosphere to work in, he said.

"The biggest problem that I have seen in my nineteen years here is youngsters with great strife in their lives, but not always of their own making not develop as a person because they usually possess a wrong attitude," Campbell said.

hold conferences, plan school activities, attend functions and other activities are normal expectations and demand much time," Campbell said.

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Examining the Policies and Procedures booklet one last time the morning before the Southern Association arrives, John Campbell and Gary Fortenberry make sure they understand what the (SACS) the looking for. Each principal had a copy of the booklet and referred to it during the three days.

*Photo by John Woolard*

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Doing their homework on colleges, seniors Teresa McMillon and Mimi Goodman ask Principals John Campbell and Assistant Principal Gary Fortenberry their opinions of Tyler Junior College. Using Tyler's information sheet they learned how the college was run. *Photo by John Woolard*





Dr. John Horn  
Superintendent



Dr. James Terry  
Assistant Superintendent



Dr. Don Wooley  
Assistant Superintendent



Mr. Jack Hicks  
Assistant Superintendent



Board of Education: (Seated) Jetty Stroud, Vice President, B. J. Smith, President, and Mrs. Sue Ann Mackey Secretary (Standing) Mrs. Beverly Vandiver, E. J. Larsen, H. E. Finley, and Cary Tanamachi, MD

To remind himself of his chores that are to be accomplished before the Southern Association team arrived, Principal John Campbell takes a few notes. The Southern Association visited North Mesquite for three days in April and gave the school high marks. Photo by John Wolard

Hella Shrine,  
Concert Band,  
Scottish Rite . . .

# Help Out

"I enjoy helping less fortunate children, especially those who are burned and crippled, as I am a participating member of the Hella Shrine Temple and the Scottish Rite Masonic Bodies who raise money to help these children. Many recover to lead normal lives," Gary Bartay said.

Bartay, an NM vocational teacher for the VICA work group, finds time for these service organizations even though he spends some 16 hours a week grading papers, individual trade manuals, and folders.

"One way that I participate in the Hella Shrine Temple is playing trumpet in the Hella Shrine Temple Concert Band," said Bartay. "Also I play bugle in the Hella Shrine Temple Drum and Bugle Corps."

If he could go anywhere in the world, and money was not a consideration, Bartay, a Texas A & M University graduate, would go to Austria, Hungary, and England.

"Hungary would be the most interesting one for me because I would go to the National Museum in Budapest," he said. "It houses a portrait of my great great grandfather, Andreas Bartay, who secured the present day Hungarian National Anthem by winning a music contest in 1844. I think that it would be time well-spent!"



**Gary Bartay**

*"I enjoy helping less fortunate children, especially the burned and crippled."*



While teaching the day's lesson in his 3rd period class, Gary Bartay pauses momentarily to regather his thoughts. Bartay taught the VICA work group and CVAE.

As a member of the Hella Shrine Temple, Gary Bartay and Sales Representative Bob Fitzgerald, talk about the drum and bugle corps practice they have just completed. Bartay is a member of the Thousand Trails Resort and Drum and Bugle Corps.







**Martha Adcock:** U S Government  
**Ada Allen:** Accounting, Advanced Accounting, Typing  
**Linda Attaway:** French 1, 2, 3(H), 4(H)  
**Kenny Barnes:** Boys Track, Weight Training, Girls Track, Boys Soccer, Baseball  
**Randy Barnes:** Biology I, HT Biology, Sports

**Peggy Barnett:** Secretary  
**Gary Bartay:** ICT, CVAE  
**Gloria Benavides:** Spanish 2, 3(H), 4(H)  
**Gay Bennett:** English 2(H)  
**Deboarab Blankenship:** Teachers Aide

**Nancy Borden:** Economics  
**Peggy Bowdoin:** English 1, 2, 4, CLA  
**Sue Braden:** Jr. Counselor  
**Cathy Bradley:** Art  
**Steve Bragg:** World History, Sports

**Alesia Brandler:** Chemistry I  
**James Brinkley:** P E., Tennis  
**John Campbell:** Principal  
**Donna Capps:** P E., Girls Basketball  
**Ron Chauvin:** Registrar

**Gary Childress:** Varsity Football  
**Carol Cooley:** Teacher Coordinator  
**Tom Council:** Unity, A Cappella, Chorale  
**Julie Crockert:** Resource English, HT Biology  
**Ben Cross:** Chemistry 1, 2(H), Marine Science (H)

**Ron Daniels:** Advanced Wood, General Wood, General Plastics  
**Cora Dugan:** English 4(H) Department Chairman, Ap, French I,  
**Don Duke:** Asst. Principal  
**Doris Eaton:** Nurse  
**Glenda Edwards:** English 3, English 2-CLA

**Richard Ehrig:** Spanish 1, German 1, 2, 3(H), 4(H), World History  
**Cynthia Falls:** Algebra 2, Consumer Math  
**Judy Fitzgerald:** VAC Job Skills, VAC Job Readiness Skills, PV/VAC English, ARD  
**Celia Fletcher:** Freshman Counselor  
**Ann Flowers:** Librarian

# Bit O' Country

Music, A Ranch and  
An Accessories Store

"I was country when country wasn't cool," Lynnell Prater said.

Prater, who teaches HECE and Home Management, owns and operates a country accessories and gift store, likes country music, and was born and raised in Midland, Texas on a ranch.

"We have had Fisher's Antiques, our little store, for five years now," said Prater. "Even though it is only open on the weekends, I spend time during the week just restocking."

Also during her free time, Lynnell Prater watches any basketball she can find.

"I would not miss a Mavericks' game for anything. I watch our (N.M.) boys and the girls. I even coached and played it until I started getting beat, so I'm not too good of a loser," Prater said.

When she is not at a basketball game or working at her store, the 18-year N.M. veteran grades the papers of her 35 HECE and 37 Home Management students while she watches "Murder She Wrote," her favorite TV show.

"I've taught HECE for 3 years and there is more paperwork to go along with it than other classes. I have to keep up with all of my HECE students for five years," Prater said. "There is a special camaraderie with these students, though, and I have a chance to visit in the community."



From the  
Desk of ...

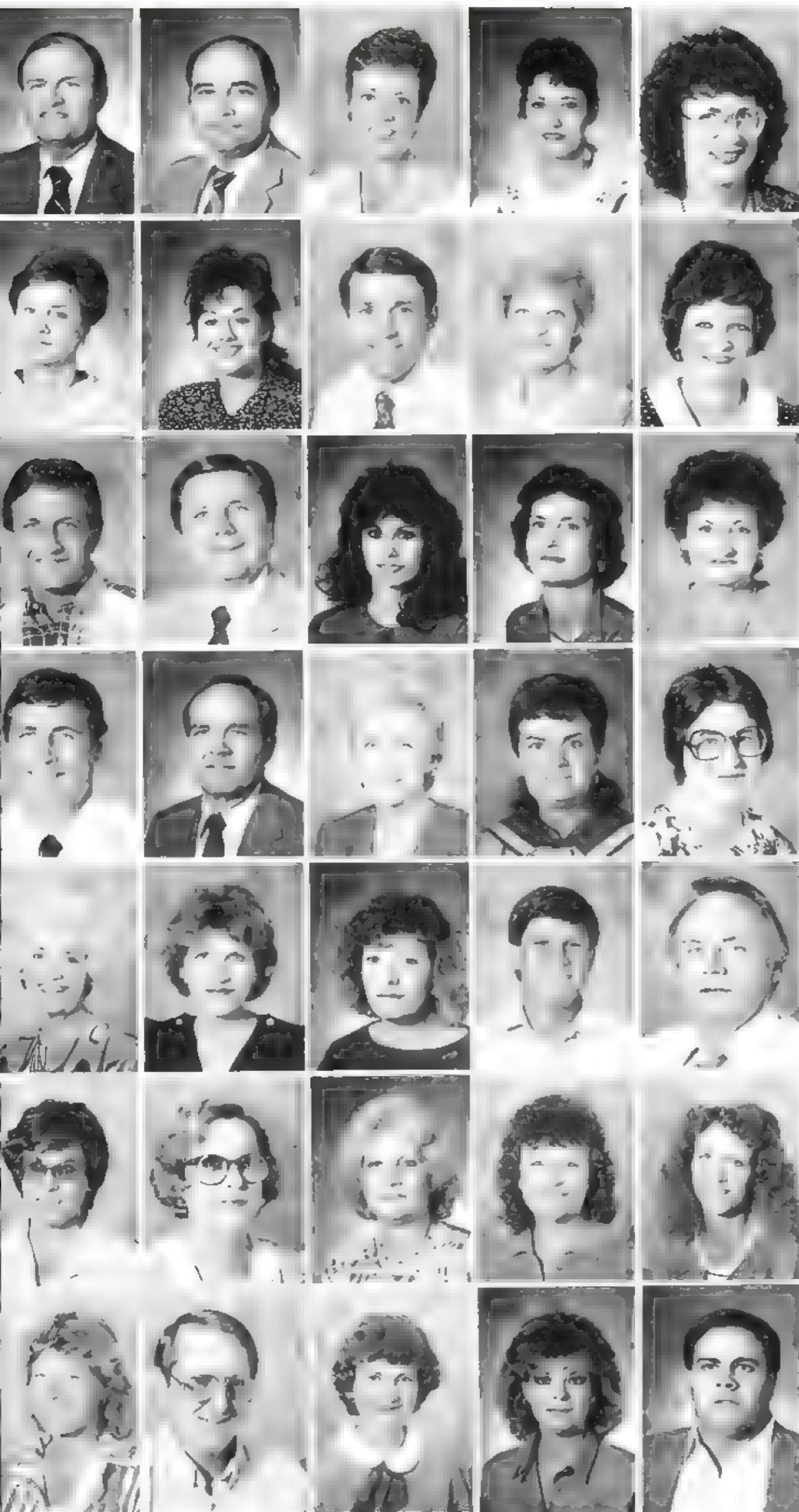
Lynnell Prater

*"I have to keep  
up with my  
HECE students  
for five years."*

Calling him her "right hand man," Lynnell Prater shares a smile with Michael Hunter during 3rd period. Prater's Home Management class had 37 students in it.

Straightening up the displays is only one of the tasks that go along with owning a small store for Lynnell Prater and her husband, Gerald. Fisher's Antiques was open only on weekends, but it required many additional hours during the week.





**Gary Fortenberry:** Asst. Principal  
**Roger Frith:** Government, Advanced Texas Studies  
**Vickie Glenn:** Trigonometry (H), Analytical Geometry (H), Geometry  
**Phyllis Grady:** Chemistry  
**Sandra Gray:** Economics, Sociology

**Helen Griffin:** Jr. Counselor  
**Marcy Hampton:** English 2, 3  
**Dennis Hart:** Training, HT Health, Health  
**Carolyn Hetzel:** Principal's Secretary  
**Connie Herzer:** English 2, Debate 1, 2(H), Public Speaking Intro Speech

**John Hicks:** Phys / Anat., Football, Baseball  
**Richard Hoffman:** Photography, General Plastics, General Art  
**Jo Holland:** Spanish 1  
**Beth Hollingsworth:** English 4, Academic English 4, Composition/British Lit  
**Francis Holt:** Teacher's Aide

**Carl Jackson:** U.S. History, Football  
**Tommy Johnson:** General Drafting, Architectural Draft  
**Janet Jones:** English 2, Newspaper Production 1, 2(H), Photo Journalism  
**Jane Kelly:** Algebra 1, 2  
**Judy Linker:** Geometry, Trigonometry (H)

**Robbie Lock:** VOE, VOC, Word Processing  
**Lois Logan:** Theatre Art 1, 2, 3, 4 (H), Technical Theatre 1, 2  
**Sharon McKinsley:** PV/VAC Math, HT World History, Government  
**Ed Mellado:** Pys./Anat., Biology 1, Football, Track/CC  
**Weldon Minnick:** Orchestra 2, Music Theatre 1, 2, Fine Arts Study

**Lorraine Mitchell:** Physics 1, 2(H)  
**Mary Ann Morgan:** Librarian  
**Reba Morgan:** Bonded Secretary  
**Linda Muhl:** English 2, 3, Cheerleader Sponsor  
**Rebecca Paris:** English 3(H), 3

**Jennifer Parks:** Volleyball, Health  
**Barbara Perry:** Spanish 1, 2  
**Glenda Pinkston:** Aerospace, Biology 2 (H)  
**Bob Peirce:** DE  
**Clifford Price:** World History, HT World History, Sports



Julie Renolds: English 2-CLA, English 2  
 Ben Robertson: Track, Psychology,  
 Government  
 Sharon Roy: English 3-CLA,  
 Read/Improvement  
 Sammy Rusk: English 3, 3(H)  
 Robert Shiflet: Business Law, Personal  
 Business Management

Kyle Short: World History, Sports  
 Judy Simpkins: Geometry, Algebra I  
 Linda Smith: Geometry, Algebra I  
 Warren Southers: Physiology and Anatomy,  
 Biology, Basketball  
 Patsy Spikes: Chemistry I, Physics

Marjorie Taylor: Latin I-IV  
 Ron Taylor: English IV, Yearbook I-III  
 Carolyn Teagle: Attendance Secretary  
 Denise Theriot: Training, Algebra 1, 2  
 Barbara Thomas: Pacesetters, B Drill,  
 Health



Weightlifting, walking,  
 and working out  
 Allow teachers to vent their

## Frustrations

**7** Teacher conference periods provided precious little time for involvement in the nation's number one craze, exercise. But some teachers found time to "work out."

Of course there is the old fashioned exercise of walking. Vickie Glenn walks the halls during fourth period. Mrs. Glenn says "It keeps us out of the lunchroom. It also works out frustrations and keeps us from hitting kids in our afternoon classes."

North Mesquite offered a variety of exercise through the wellness program. Mrs. Barbara Perry and Mr. Rick Davis were involved in the aerobics part. Mrs. Perry says "I do aerobics to keep in shape." Mr. Davis says it allows him to

"blow off steam, to have something to look forward to at the end of the day, keep off weight, and have fellowship with the other teachers."

Another form of exercise is weightlifting, Coach Kenny Barnes' specialty. He is a certified strength and conditioning specialist. As well as teaching weightlifting classes he also trains the athletes. Coach Barnes lifts four mornings a week himself with his wife in their own weight room at his home, and runs three miles a day at noon. "One main reason I exercise is to slow down the aging process. Good exercising gives you more energy so you can do activities more efficiently. I feel better mentally also and do not get as restless."

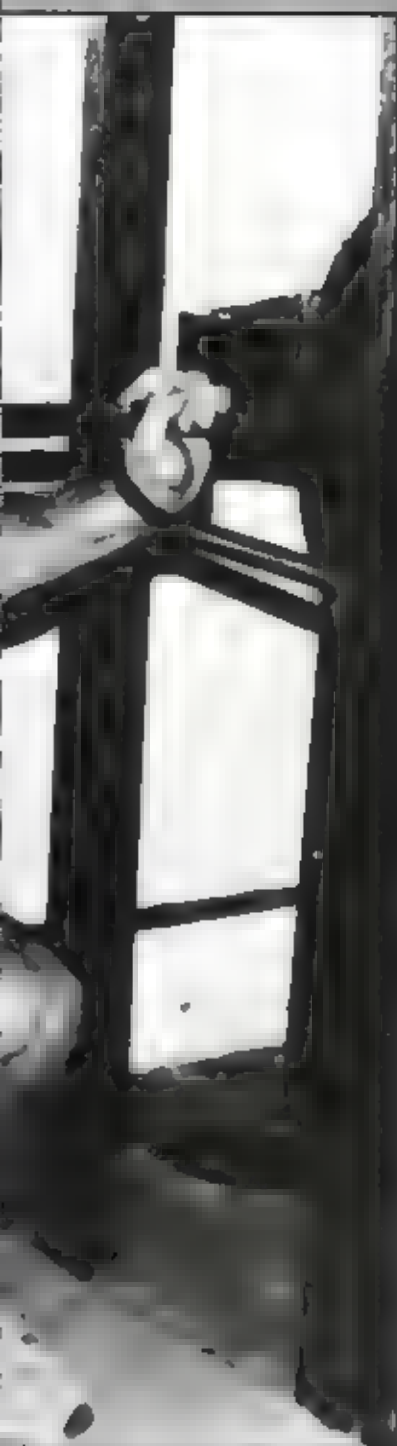




Kathy Tidwell: English III CLA, English III, IV  
Joan Timms: Reading Improvement, Advanced Reading (H) ESI, English I III  
Judy Tuttle: Consumer Math, Pre-Algebra  
Loren Wagliardo: Computer Science, Computer Math  
Charles Weeks: Pre-Algebra, Consumer Math, Basketball



Dottie Wells: Registrar's Secretary  
Mark White: English 4 CEA, Girls Soccer, Football  
Janis Tonroy: Home Furnishings, Family Living, Home Management  
Raymond Woods: Economics, Typing, Business Math



**D**emonstrating the position for a perfect "squat" strength coach Kenny Barnes works with 315 pounds of weight. Barnes left the varsity squad where he worked with defensive lineman and moved to full time strengthening coach.

**R**ounding a corner on C floor for their daily walking exercise in tennis shoes are Vickie Glenn and Judy Simpkins. The two walk for 15 to 25 minutes each day.



*Mrs. Glenn*

*"Walking during fourth period keeps me out of the lunchroom, and helps work out my frustrations."*

# Into the PLAY OFFS

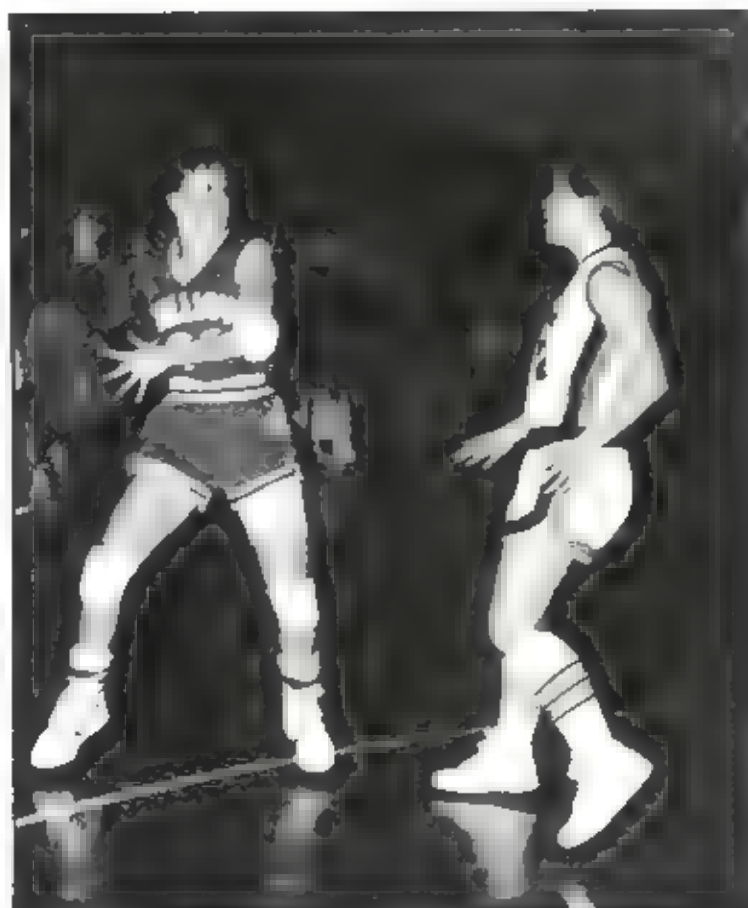
## Out to Succeed

We wanted to win. Whether it was running a two mile race, butting helmets for 48 minutes, dribbling up and down the court again and again, or bouncing a soccer ball off our heads, we were ready to compete. We watched Oppegard and Watson bring home a bronze medal, the first medal for the U.S. in the '88 Winter Olympics in Canada. Brian Botano brought home the only gold medal for the U.S. in men's figure skating; as our teams brought back their own awards. Football proved to be the best in district again with a perfect winning season. The players went on to win Bi-District and Regionals and were defeated at Area by the Cy-Fair Bobcats with the loss of one penetration.

Our girls basketball team dribbled to a state runner-up title, with Coach "Mickey Mouse" Donna Capps leading the way.

Stallion sports had become a name to be reckoned with in all areas. We were a success on and off the playing fields and felt like we were sitting on top of the world.

Deep in Stallion territory, John Kirkland (99), Mark Jones (11), and Chris Lammer (30) help the Blue Wall hold Highland Park in a fourth down situation. The Stallion defense held the Scots to 14 points, while the Stallion offense racked up 24 points.



Protecting the ball against a Garland player, Missi Goodman looks to pass to a teammate. Defeating Garland on their own court with a score of 47-29, the Lady Stallions moved one step closer to the state play-offs and their 36-1 season record.

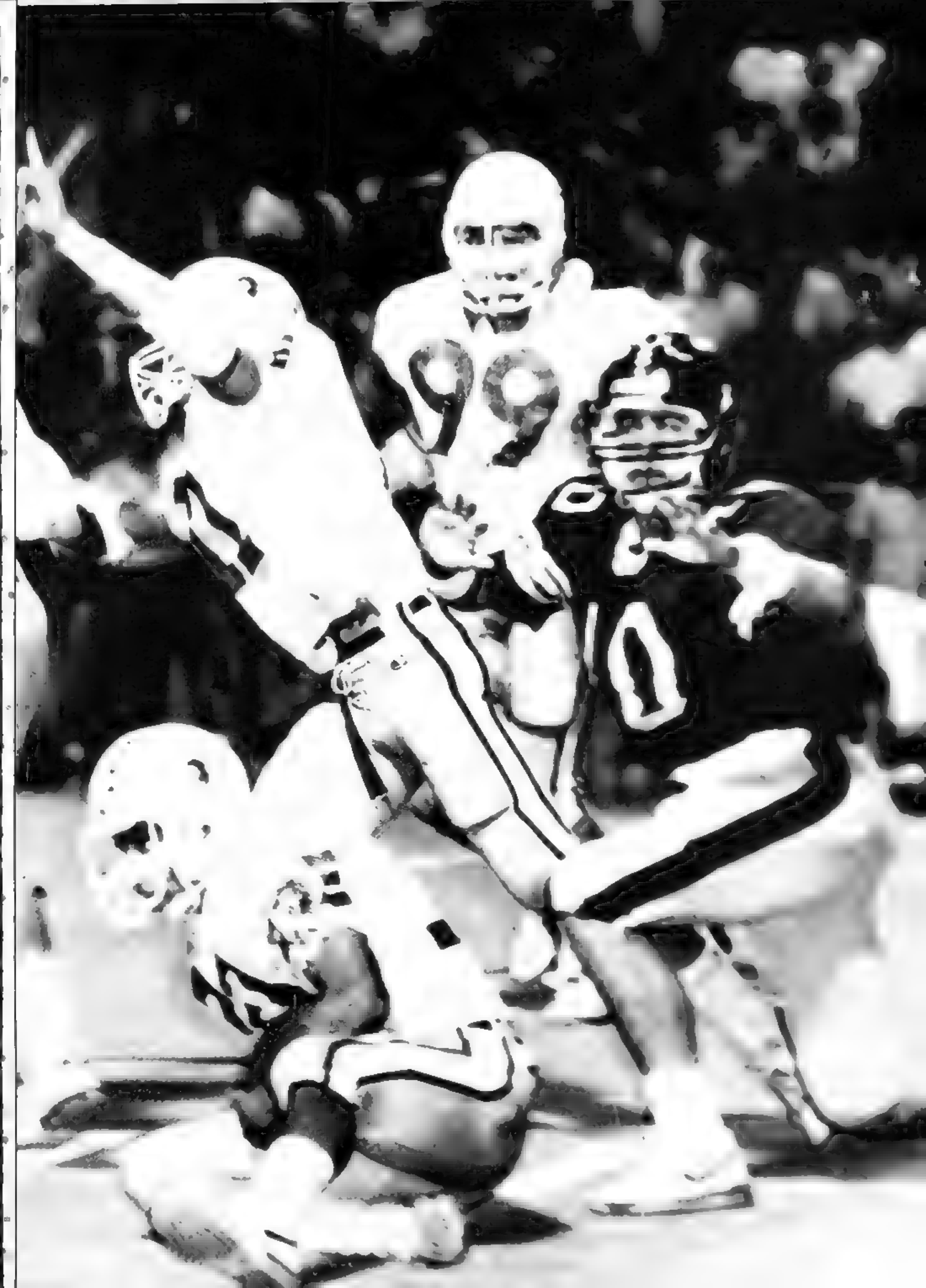
Everything in a life is not a bed full of roses. In sports you have to work hard to be good at something. Sports teach us that, and that should help everyone after high school.

— Norton Diaz



Norton Diaz





# S

## Continuing to serve Their Best

**W**hat were the ingredients missing for the recipe of a winning season? Lack of good senior leadership and less opportunities to play in tournaments due to a new school policy.

"Our team was young in the sense that we didn't have many seniors but the sophomores that played tennis at Potter contributed much to the team," Jack Parnell said.

Being restricted to only one

match per week, the NM tennis team played in only five tournaments.

"We were disappointed in not being able to participate in more tournaments," said Ramon Martinez, "But we continued to work hard and advance as much as possible."

Falling short to Highland Park and South Garland, the team ended their season by placing third in the District Tournament.

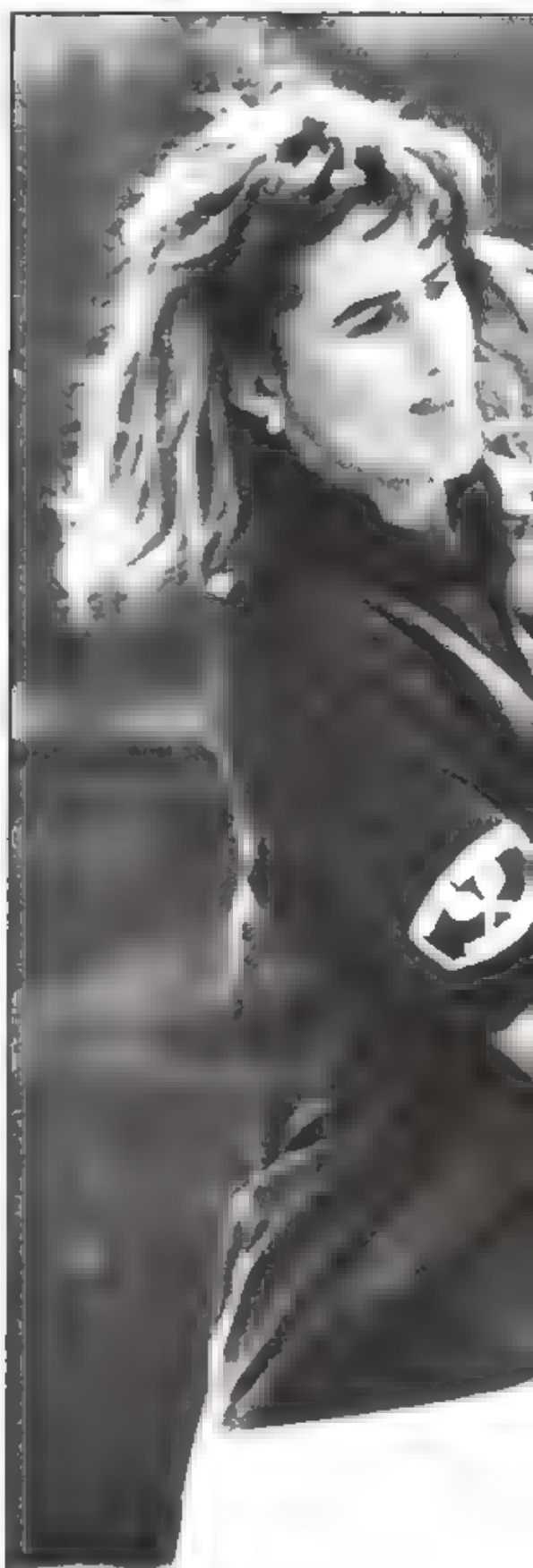
Advancing to the Regional Tournament were Julie Paul and

Came Carroll playing in the girls doubles match.

"Despite the tough obstacles throughout the season they had to overcome, the NM tennis team represented NM well," said Coach James Brinkley. "We can only look forward to the next season and work harder to win."

### Ready and Set

Concentrating on his opponent's serve at the South Garland meet, Alan Abbruzzese gets himself set to score a point. The Scallions fell short to South Garland with a score of 3-3. *Photo by John Holt*



### What Was That?

Confused by the referee's call at the District Tournament, Ramon Martinez prepares himself to win the match. The team finished third behind Highland Park and South Garland. *Photo by John Holt*

### Looking On

Smiling with approval, Coach James Brinkley watches the boys doubles match against Mesquite at the Mesquite Tournament. *Photo by John Woolard*



# Outstanding

In Her Field

## Right In Racket

"Winning a trip to New York City is what my father and I try to do each Summer," Tammie Zalesky said.

Being a part of the NM tennis team since her Freshman year, Tammie has much experience behind her. She has been playing the sport for seven years and intends to continue playing in college.

Participating in the Family Equitable Tournament each Summer, Tammie and her father play as a father-daughter doubles team. Although they have not yet won the trip to New York City, they have advanced to the Regional Tournament.

"I love playing tennis with my parents," said Tammie, "After all if it wasn't for them I would of never had so much support."

"Tammie is a great asset to our team," said Coach James Brinkley, "With her dedication and hard work she will be sure to succeed."



## Keeping A Grip

With the face of intensity, Carrie Carroll serves against a Mesquite opponent. Carrie went on to advance to Regionals with partner Julie Paul. Photo by John Woolard



"We had a pretty good season overall considering the amount of tournaments we were in, but we plan to work harder as the next season approaches," said Julie Paul. Julie returns a serve in the District Tournaments. Photo by John Woolard

## POINTS LEFT OUT

South Garland	16	NM	2
Mesquite	8		10
District		3rd	
Lancaster	8		10
Mesquite	3		5
South Garland	5		0



Varsity (Row 1: Donna Watson, Tammie Zalesky, Denise Ball, Amy Welch, Carrie Carroll, Jennifer Watkins, Wendy Atkins (Row 2) Doris Siegal, Craig Burgen, Stephen Perry, Bryce Bolling, Julie Paul, Trier Tran, Michele Stewart (Row 3) A. Daviacki, Ramon Martinez, Mike Lewis, Reade Denny, Eddie Moreno, Mike Zachary (Row 4) Jeffery Lewis, Mike Hunter, Allan Abbruzzese, Chris Edmundson, Jack Parnell, James Brinkley

## WORD OF MOUTH

Even though the season started out slow, the team learned to work together and gained the determination to do well at the District Tournament.

—Jack Parnell





# T

## Setting up for TOUGH PLAY

"S

et' In volleyball it means to place the ball in the air so that another team mate may 'spike' the ball at the opponent. But the word 'set' also meant another thing to this year's varsity team. After the loss of three starting seniors early in the season, the team was forced to reset itself in order to continue the rest of the year.

Setting the team back up was not an easy job for varsity and J.V. coach Jenifer Parks. She had to reshuffle her teams by pulling up several players to varsity. With the leadership of only a single senior on the team and a majority of sophomores the chips were not stacked in her favor.

"I tried to reach the girls that if they would just stick together during the tougher times, that good things would happen to them," Parks said.

Good things did begin to happen to them. In fact Coach Parks and her young varsity members were able to put together five victories for the season including a win over district

opponent Lakeview.

"Those first few games on varsity were so confusing," said sophomore Suzy Hickerson, "Half the time I didn't know where to go or what I was supposed to be doing."

"We were playing against teams that had been playing with each other for three or four years. We just got down on ourselves trying to get started," varsity member Darcy Moore said.

All the transitions took their toll on the junior varsity team as well. Although they played several tough games including a very close second game with district champs Greenville, they did finish the year without a single win credited to them.

Junior varsity member Keri Duncan said, "Just knowing we almost beat the district champs was enough to keep me going."

### Spreading the Knowledge

During their game against South Garland, junior varsity member Kama Birdwell (5) keeps up with the game as Coach Jenifer Parks corrects Amy Cross (2) serve. Getting strong serves was a big part of the J.V. practices. Photo by George Thixson.

### WORD OF MOUTH

"Losing to Greenville our last game was really tough because we didn't play as well as we could. We just didn't play as a team."

— Stacey Hargrove



## Playing with Power

Placing the ball to play offensive starter Darryl Moore. He does up on his serve during their game against Lakeview. Darryl started as the team's "setter" for most of the year. The Stallions won their second game against the Patriots 2 games to 1. Photo by George Thixton.

## Making the Play

Setting up the spike, Junior Varsity member Monti Morley. He did it during their game against South Garland. Although the V team didn't win a game during their season, they were able to play tough against the varsity. Photo by George Thixton.



# Outstanding In Her Field

## Breaking the Mold in Broken Bones

There's two minutes left on the clock. The star player just went down. But there's no reason to fear because Denise Theriot, one of the school's two team trainers, is on the job.

Along with Dennis Hart, Theriot is in charge of healing and rehabilitating all the school's athletic injuries. "I got into training in college," said Theriot. "I was a member of the gymnastic team at the University of Southwestern Louisiana. During my junior year I injured my knee and became an ex-member of the team."

Because Theriot wanted to stay in athletics, the head trainer at U.S.L. asked her to help him out her senior year and the rest is history.

In 1984 she was hired by

Hart and began working with what she calls, "The best athletic staff in the State of Texas."

"I love the reactions I get when I tell people I'm a trainer. The first question they ask is 'What do you train?' I'm often tempted to say lions but when I tell them 'mostly football,' I always get the same reply, 'They have girls' football?'"

Theriot understands the pressures put on young people today, and when she is not putting people back together, she can usually be found laughing, talking or just listening to teenagers who need a listening ear. "I get a real satisfaction out of making a beneficial difference in another person's life." Photo by John Fornero.



"The lack of leadership was really discouraging. It helps to have someone or something to look up to and to strive for." Tysha Renfro (10) places the ball over during the game against Mesquite. Photo by George Thixton.

## POINTS LEFT OUT

### Varsity (9-18)

	NM
Pearce	2 0
Lake Highlands	2 0
Richardson	1 2
Trumble Tech	1 2
Lake Highlands	2 0
Irving	2 0
*Mesquite	2 0
*S Garland	2 0
*N Garland	2 0
*Lakeview	2 0
*Garland	2 0
*Highland Park	2 0
*Greenville	2 0
*Mesquite	2 0
*S Garland	2 0
*N Garland	2 0
*Lakeview	1 2
*Garland	2 0
*Highland Park	2 0
*Greenville	2 0
Spruce	1 2
South Oak Cliff	2 0
Wilson	1 2



Varsity (Row 1) Cindy Chapin, Laura McGehee, Stacey Hargrave, Kim Williams, Tysha Renfro (Row 2) Amy Conley, Stacey Smith, Suz Hickerson, Dana Reynolds, Dorey Moore, Terry Frazier, Jennifer Parks

### Junior Varsity (0-20)

	NM
Pearce	2 0
Lake Highlands	2 0
Richardson	2 0
Trumble Tech	2 0
Lake Highlands	2 0
Irving	2 0
*Mesquite	2 0
*S Garland	2 1
*N Garland	2 1
*Lakeview	2 1
*Garland	2 0
*Highland Park	2 0
*Greenville	2 0
*Mesquite	2 0
*S Garland	2 0
*N Garland	2 0
*Lakeview	2 1
*Garland	2 0
*Highland Park	2 1
*Greenville	2 0
*Denton Games	2 0



Junior Varsity (Row 1) Stacey Smith, Monti Morley, Ursula Strick, Debbie Edgar, Ker Duncan, Parry Smith, Erin Ingram, Berinda Rodriguez (Row 2) Amy Conley, Amy Cross, Kama Browder, Penny Wood, Shelly Morris, Kira Moore, Sherree Springer, Terry Frazier, Jennifer Parks



# A

## Finishing above The Rest

**A**s a runner progresses each mile his feet feel like 50-pound weights dragging him along. His heart pounds vigorously inside his chest and his lungs feel like they are going to explode, realizing he is only yards away from the finish line.

All I can think about when I'm running is how far the finish line is. I know I have to push myself to the limit in order to win and help my team win. Keri Choate said.

Bringing home a second place in the District Meet, the girls also received All District honors. Those of whom included Julie VanVessem, Lynn Phalin, and Rena Ybarbo.

Along with All District performer, Michelle McGinnis was named All Regional performer. Winning the Bonne Bell All American were Michele McGinnis, Julie VanVessem, Ra-

chel Daigle, and Mandi Chance. Receiving honors of Outstanding Athlete were Michelle McGinnis and Julie VanVessem.

This year's team was the closest, hardest working and most dedicated group we've had in the last few years, Coach Robertson said.

Winning meets is just as im-

portant as doing well in classes to the girls on the cross-country team. Coach Robertson is always telling us to take the same attitude to class as we do on the track, Dawn Morgan said.

Compiling an overall grade average of 93.5, the 17 girl squad accomplished just as much in their studies as they did on the track.

Debbie Pierce said, "Being a winner not only includes being a winner in a sport but also becoming one in your studies."

Although running is important in the lives of the cross-country team so are their studies.

With the team keeping their grades high, they didn't run into the "no pass, no play" dilemma.

### Taking a Breather

Taking a water break after finishing the race, Mandi Chance catches her breath. Mandi finished 10th in District. Photo by Kyle Herron.

### WORD OF MOUTH

Running gives me a feeling of accomplishment. Being a part of the cross country team is special because the girls on the team are like sisters. We work out together and socialize as well on the weekend. Cross country is a great individual and team sport.



- Julie VanVessem



### A Look of Content

Smiling in content, Coach Robertson records the times of his individual players at the L. D. Bell meet in which the team placed second. Photo by Kyle Herron.





# Outstanding

In The Field

## Going The Distance

With a determined look, Rena Ybarbo concentrates in the finish line. Rena placed 7th at the Mountain View meet. Photo by George Thomas.

## In The Lead

Among the finishers, Rachel Daigle shows her determination. District Meet at Mountain View. Photo by George Thomas.



## Leader of the Pack

A leader. Being a leader takes motivation, determination, self-discipline, persistence and consistency. Someone who shows these qualifications not only on the track but also in the classroom is Senior Michelle McGinnis, 1987 captain of the girls cross-country team.

Michelle said, "It felt good being elected captain. It made me feel that my teammates thought enough of me to put their trust in me. They also knew that I would always be there for them as well."

Becoming Captain of the girls cross-country team is only one honor Michelle held. Other awards include the Bonne Bell All-American for two years, Most Outstanding in cross-country for two years, Strid-

er Award, All District, Regional Finalist, and "Most Spirited" in Track.

Accomplishing just as much in school as on the track is also important to Michelle. "Achieving in the classroom makes me excel on the track and work just as hard as I do in class," Michelle said.

Hard-working leaders like Michelle are an important asset to NM. Coach Robertson said, "Michelle is a fine example of what an athlete should be. Not only should athletes excel in their sport, but they should also excel in their studies, and that is really what school is all about. Being an example to her team, Michelle is also an example in the classroom."



## POINTS LEFT OUT

"Coach Robertson was great! He always motivated and inspired us. We worked hard as a team because we knew we could win!" Rachel Daigle crosses the finish at the District Meet.

Photo by Kyle Heron.

Lamar  
Arlington  
L.D. Bell  
Lake Highlands  
Mountain View  
Elite  
District  
Region II

NM  
4th  
2nd  
nd  
2nd  
1st  
4th  
2nd  
5th



Girls Cross Country Front Row: Michele Napps, Rena Ybarbo, Jeanna Garvin, Dawn Morgan, Michelle McGinnis, Lori Weatherly, Ashley Boling, Emily Murdock, Amy Lagadinos Second Row: Heather Felton, Beth Rice, Mandi Chance, Stacy Attaway, Lynn Phalin, Kim Dill, Debbie Pierce, Rachel Daigle, Julie Van Vesslem, Kim Gunn, Debby Johnson, Coach Ben Robertson Third Row: Lisa Mayberry, Tysha Renfro, Leslie Wilburn, Yoheli Lozano, Roxanne Narez, Dee Palmer

### All District Performers

Michelle McGinnis  
Julie VanVessem  
Lynn Phalin  
Rena Ybarbo

### All Region Performers

Michelle McGinnis

### Bonne Bell All-American

Michelle McGinnis  
Julie VanVessem  
Rachel Daigle  
Mandi Chance

# B

## Determination eyond The Limits

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here it was, resting on a bench eight feet behind the coach — an Igloo water cooler just waiting to be thrown over the unsuspecting victim. This wasn't a picture from the New York Giants playoff game, but it was the NM cross-country team celebrating yet another victory. "In every meet we won, we would grab the water cooler and sneak up behind the back of Coach Mellado and give him a victory ice-water bath," Edward Baptista said.

Placing first in four out of nine meets the cross-country team was led by Edward Baptista, Larry Heath, David Maddox, Alex Martin, Chris Reyes, Erik Van Meter, and Matthew

Varghese. With a total of 124 wins and 16 losses the NM cross-country team had a winning season.

The very first meet of the year was significant. It was the Plano Invitational and every good cross-country team in the area was there, including Pearce, who was ranked third in the state at the time.

We were not the favorite to

win, but we raced to victory over a field of 18 teams! This meet set the tone for the entire season since we now knew that we could run with the best!" David Maddox said.

Motivated by the win over the Pearce Wildcats, the team placed second in the District meet, behind Highland Park, and also placed fifth in the Regional meet.

Coach Mellado said, "It took character and self-discipline to go as far as our team went, to be a champion you have to have character and the boys on the NM cross-country team are champions." Placing first in 4 out of 8 meets, the NM cross-country team showed how hard they worked, as well as how well the work was paid off.

### WORD OF MOUTH

Although we aren't as highly publicized



as football we work just as hard and strive just as far to be the very best we can. We always stand proud because we tried our hardest and did our best.

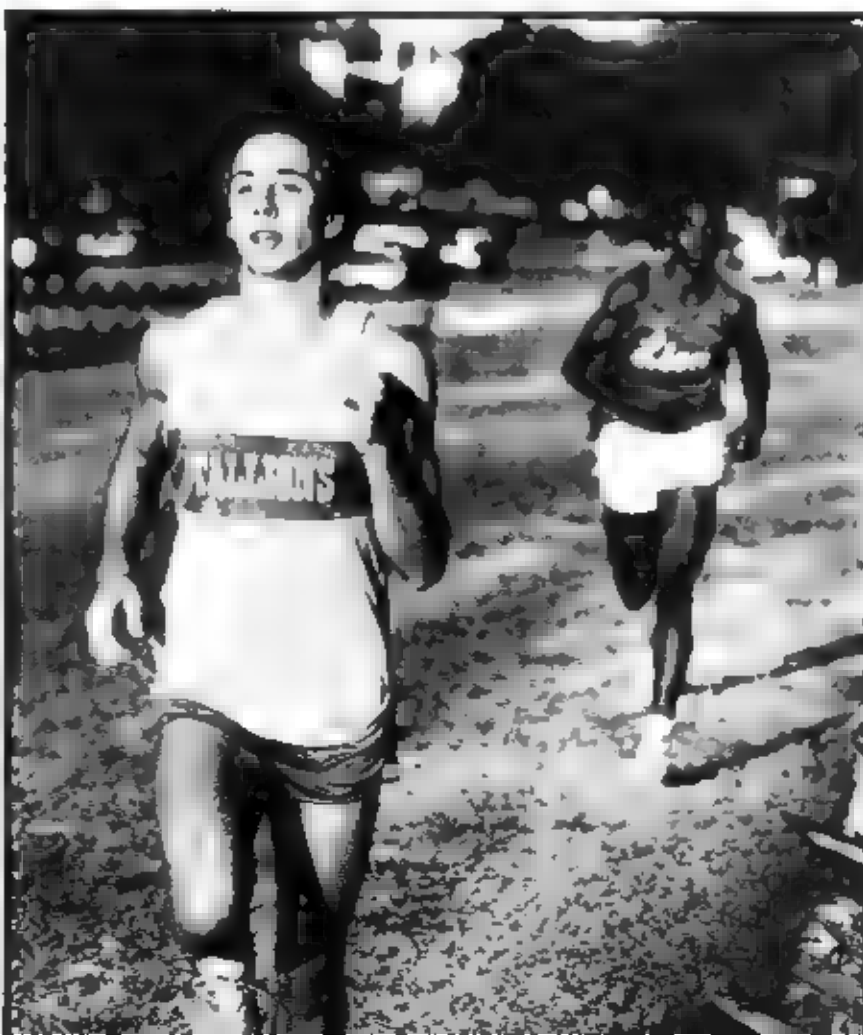
— Alex Martin

### Will To Win

Serving for an extra foot, Larry Heath keeps ahead of the pack. Heath turned in a time of 15:55 for an 11th place finish. Photo by Ed Mellado.

### Running Ragged

Keeping ahead of his R.L. Turner opponent, David Maddox had a time of 17:09 in the Regional meet. Photo by John Woodard.







"We worked great as a team. We knew we had a job to do and we were determined to have a winning season no matter how hard we had to work to get it." Matthew Varghese strides ahead in the Regional Meet. Photo by John Woolard.

## POINTS LEFT OUT



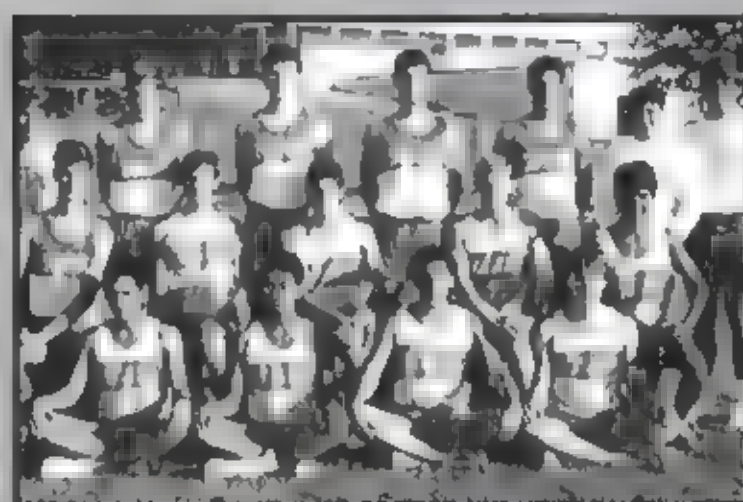
### A foot Ahead

Leading the pack at a District Meet, Alex Martin strides toward the finish line. Finishing 27th in the meet, Alex contributed a large number of points to the team's score. Photo by John Woolard.

**Outstanding Athletes**  
Larry Heath  
Matthew Varghese

Green Hill  
Plano  
Lancaster  
E.D. Dell  
Lake Highlands  
Hickory  
Dare-Arlington  
District  
Region II

NM  
3rd  
1  
1.2  
1.2  
2nd  
1st  
2nd  
5th



Front Row: Alex Martin, Edward Baptista, Chris Reyes, David Maddox. Second Row: Erik Van Meter, Todd Ramsey, Giovanni Getto, Larry Heath, Matthew Varghese. Third Row: Brent Clements, Chip Kenlock, Steve Bowen, Sean Silvers, Tom Shavan, Coach Ed Mellado.

## Outstanding

In The Field

### The Final Stretch

"I have mixed emotions about my Seniors graduating. It's been special to see them maturing athletically through their hard work and discipline. However, at the same time I'm sad because I don't get to use their maturity to influence others," Coach Ed Mellado said when asked what he thought about his first varsity team graduating. Coach Mellado has been coaching the NM boys cross-country team for three years. The 1987 season was the last with his first varsity team.

"Our coach was great. He really treated us as partners in a challenge. He tried to make us work harder and harder to do our best and tried to tell us that we could win as a group," Senior Alex Martin said.

"Cross-country is an individual and close team sport. Even though Coach Mellado was our coach he was our friend as well. That's what made our team so close and ambitious." Senior David Maddox

said.

"Our morale was great," said Senior Larry Heath, "We became Varsity competitors when we were Sophomores and I think we matured from it. We learned so much through the coaching of Coach Mellado, not only did we learn about running but about life as well." Photo by Kyle Herron.



### Ahead of the Pack

Rising above the competition, teammates Giovanni Getto and Edward Baptista place 10th and 11th in the Plano meet. Overall, the CC team finished first. Photo by Ed Mellado.



# A

## Individuals Fly to Success in District S A TEAM

**W**e are very team oriented," said senior swim team member Carol Berg about the problems of developing 'esprit de corps' in a sport overflowing with individual effort. Carol, who herself set many individual records and qualified for regionals for four consecutive years in individual events, went on to say, "When I win an event, I not only do it for myself but for the whole team."

Mark Ragsdale added, "We try to keep each other up. We have to be able to lean on each other in order to enjoy any success as a team. If I'm down it is nice to know there is someone there to back me up."

A sign of the teamwork present on the swim team is the qualification of three relay teams. The men's 400 yard freestyle and both the men's and the women's 200 yard Medley Relays all qualified during the district meet at Highland Park. Each team was comprised of four swimmers and an alternate. "The relay teams were an opportunity for all the members of the team to pull together for a common goal," senior Su-

san Krause said.

But it was not only in the team events that NM showed their competitiveness. Five members of the team qualified for regionals in individual events. Brady Ream placed 5th in the men's 50 yard freestyle, while John Matthew tied up the 4th place spot in the same event. Susan Krause qualified in the women's 100 yard Breaststroke. And both Carol Berg and Donnie Whitan qualified in two individual events. Carol placed first in both the 100 yard fly and the 100 yard backstroke. Donnie qualified with two second place finishes in the 100 yard fly and the 200 freestyle.

Team member Shelly Arnold compared the team to a fire that feeds upon itself. "The strength of the individuals helps make the team stronger, but the strength and support from the team, she said.

### Off and Running

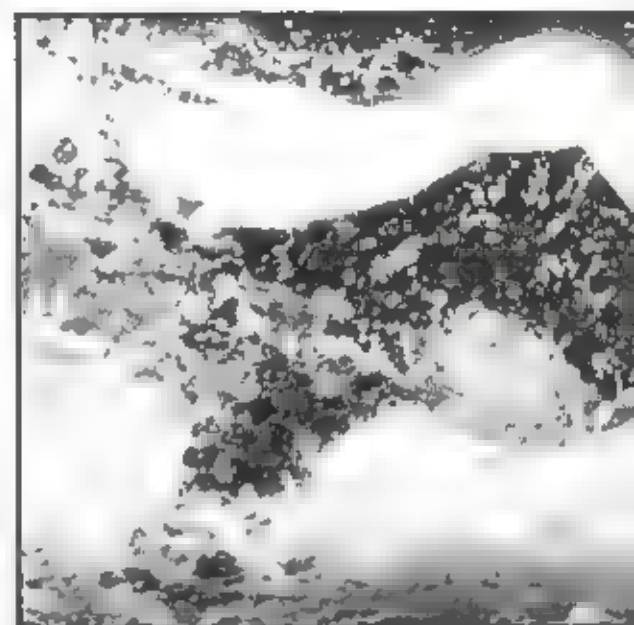
Off the blocks, Pam Wilson makes her start for the 500 yd. freestyle event at the district meet at Highland Park. Pam also helped lead the 200 yard girls Medley Relay to a fourth place finish at district. The finish advanced the girls' relay to the Regional meet held at Lucas Natatorium. Photo by John Willard.



### WORD OF MOUTH

*"I enjoy being a part of North Mesquite's athletic program, because it gives me a great feeling of success. I like pushing myself to the limit. Swimming makes me glow when I work out to my peak."*

— Pam Wilson

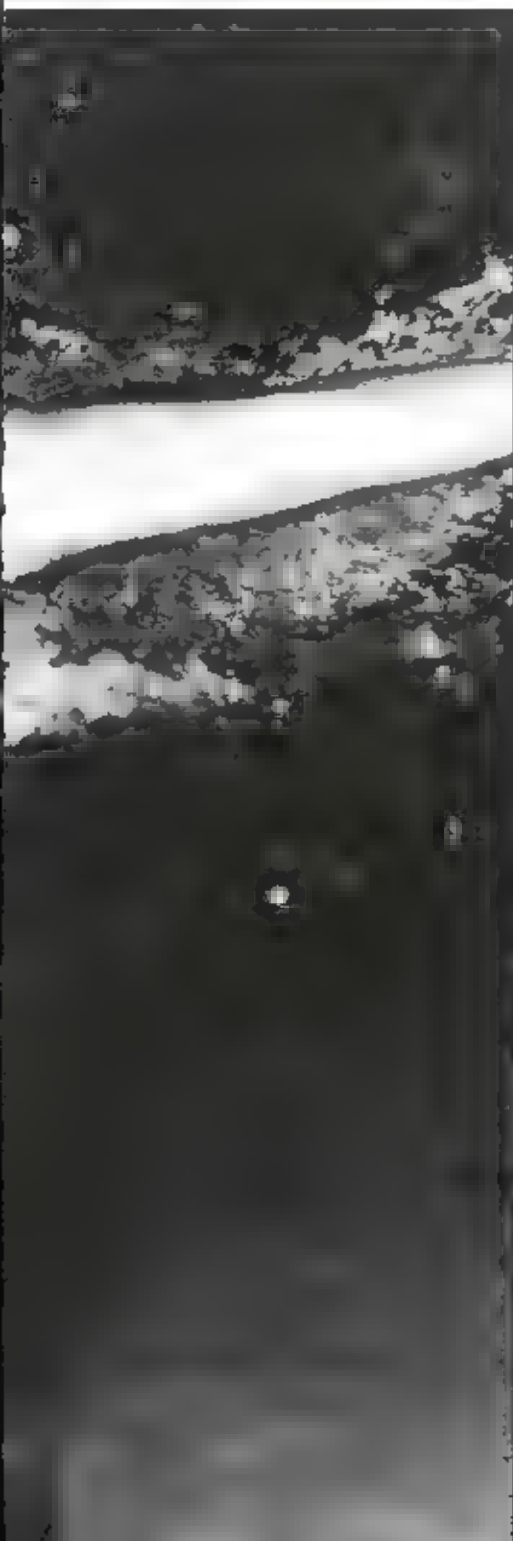
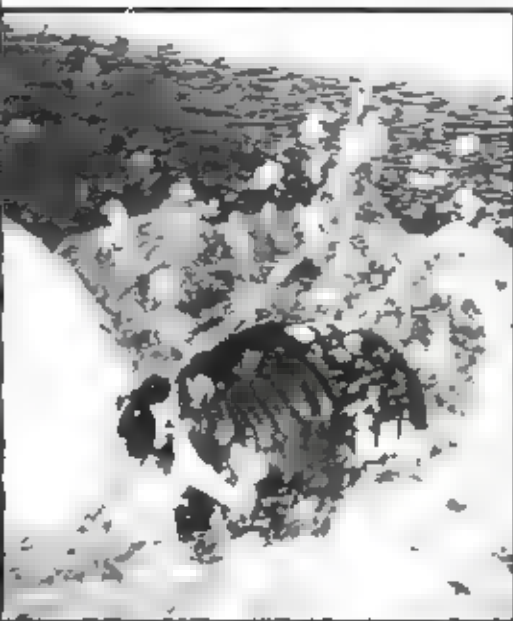


## Stroking to Success

Gaining that extra push at the district meet, Brian Barboza completes his butterfly lap during his competition in the 100 yard Individual Medley. During the event Brian also had to swim laps using the backstroke, breaststroke, and one lap using freestyle. Photo by John Fornero.

## Making Waves

Splashing his way to the finish, Derrick Alexander finishes strong during his district competition in the men's 400 yard freestyle relay. Derrick and the other members of the relay, Brian Barboza, Joe Valdez, Mark Ragsdale, and Brian Taylor, qualified for Regionals with a 3rd place finish and a time of 4:11. Photo by John Fornero.



# Outstanding

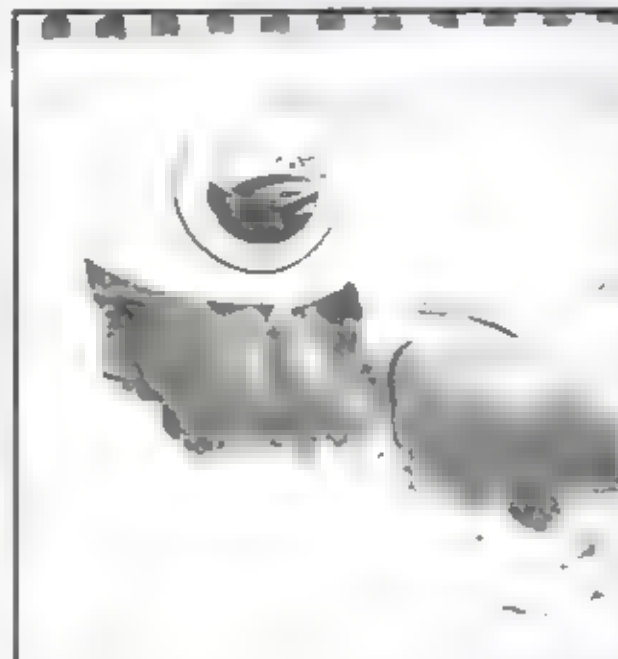
## In The Pool

## Making a Big Splash in the Record Books

Swimming records fell in nine categories during the four year tenure of one student. Carol Berg. Dedicated for seven years, two practices a day paid off for Carol as she earned a scholarship to Henderson State University in Arkansas. "I gained much by being on the swim team, primarily leadership; as team captain I felt it my job to lead the way for the others," she said. "I also formed close friendships with the other swimmers." Carol believes swimming should get more recognition; some high schools have their own pools, she commented.

### Records

50m Free Style	1:05.00	100 Breaststroke	1:40.00
100m Free	2:00.00	200m Individual Med	2:18.00
100m Free	1:48.15	200m Freestyle	2:25.00
50m Backstroke	1:04.10	200m Relay	2:11.00
500 Freestyle	5:40.00		



## POINTS LEFT OUT



### Looking to the Finish

Taking a quick breath of air, Susan Krause prepares to make the turn during her competition in the 100 yard Breaststroke. Susan placed 6th and qualified for regionals. Susan also qualified for regionals for her performance in the ladies Medley Relay at the district meet. Photo by John Fornero.

Carol Berg	Regional Qualifiers
Donnie Whitan	100 yard Butterfly
Brady Ream	100 yard Backstroke
John Matthew	200 yard Medley Relay
Susan Krause	100 yard Butterfly
Pam Wilson	200 yard Freestyle
Robin West	400 yard Freestyle Relay
Shelly Arnold	200 yard Medley Relay
Brian Barboza	50 yard Freestyle
Joe Valdez	200 yard Medley Relay
Mark Ragsdale	50 yard Freestyle
Brian Taylor	200 yard Medley Relay
Derrick Alexander	100 yard Breaststroke
Chris Dunaway	200 yard Medley Relay
Ronnie Crow	200 yard Medley Relay

### State Qualifiers



Varsity (Row 1) Brian Taylor, Shelly Arnold, Susan Krause, Carol Berg (Row 2) Chris Dunaway, Donnie Whitan, Pam Wilson, Carol Skellan, Derrick Alexander (Row 3) Joe Valdez, Ronnie Crow, John Matthews, Brian Barboza, Brady Ream, Julie Wallace

"It gives me a sense of fulfillment to set a goal for myself and then reach it," said Donnie Whitan. Donnie qualified for the Regional meet at Loos Nautatorium in both the 100 yard Butterfly and the 200 yard freestyle. Photo by John Fornero.



# M

## When Every Inch ATTERS

**R**egionals That is where the best of the best come to compete.

Each district sends its top two competitors in each event to fight for a chance to compete at the state meet. Although two athletes in each event advanced, the majority hang up their spikes at the end of the competition. Because they're playing for keeps, competition is fierce. Every tenth of a second, every extra inch can make the difference between achieving a goal or retiring for the year.

"Our Region," said boys track Coach Ed Melladde, "is one of the toughest around. Sometimes even the state meets

do not have the talent we have at our Regional meets."

Shot Putter David Winkler breezed through the regional meet and found himself competing for the state title in Austin. Few sophomores find themselves in such a pressure situation. David's first effort fell short, but his last chance succeeded in earning him the gold

medallion. The distance was 63'1/2"

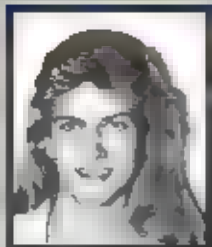
The girls track team did not let tough competition keep them down. Five girls qualified for the Regional meet: Melissa Kay in the 100 yard hurdles and the long jump, Michelle McGinnis in the high jump, Angie Silas, in the shot, Tysha Renfro in the 800, and Julie Van Vessum in the 1600 and the 3200. Of the five, two walked away with medals and one with a school record.

Melissa Kay set the school record with her sixth place finish in the 100 yard hurdles. Both Michelle McGinnis and Julie Van Vessum walked away with a fourth place finish.

### WORD OF MOUTH

*"Track gave me a chance to do something for myself. I was able to set a goal and achieve it all on my own. It made me feel good about myself."*

— Mandy Chance



### Higher And Higher

Pulling away from the pole, Torry Puckett accomplishes a successful pole vault during competition at the Mesquite Invitational at Hanby stadium. Torry placed second at the Varsity District meet and qualified for Regionals.



### Keeping The Balance

Stopping hard, Melissa Kay maintains her balance at the end of her jump. Melissa also finished sixth in the 100 yard hurdles.





# Outstanding

## In Her Field

### Winning Combination: Athletes and Coaches

You see them together all the time. They are almost inseparable. They spend up to three hours a day together. Each helping the other to understand more about themselves. This description could describe just about any friendship, but in this case it is a very special kind of bond. It is the bond athletes develop with their coach.

"Coach Capps has become a very special person in my life," said senior member of the girls basketball team Misty Goodman. "I don't think we could have become any where as close if we had met under any other circumstances. Coach Capps allowed me to see my full potential."

Varsity football member Brian Duggan said, "Athletics not only allows you to become the best person physically you can be but it also helps you to reach your potential as an all-around member of society. My coaches helped me to see just how far my talents can take me."

Coach Childress, Athletics director and head football coach, stresses the importance of developing strong bonds on and off the field. "An athletic team society. You must be able to trust the person next to you in all you do. Once a person loses his identity in the group and becomes a member of the team, he gains his identity in society."



### Getting The Momentum

Sprinting forward, Ashley Boling finishes the last hurdle during her competition at district. The girl's track team went on to finish tenth out of 53 schools at Regionals.



*"It really threw me off to have to wait for the rain to stop during Regional competition."*  
**Michelle McGinnis**  
*finished fourth in the High Jump.*

## POINTS LEFT OUT

Varsity	Place
Carl Norris Relays	3rd
North Garland	
Raider Relays	3rd
Richardson	
Invitation	6th
Mesquite Relays	1st
Arlington Relays	3rd
Texas Relays	
District 9-5A Meet	1st
Region II	Top 10



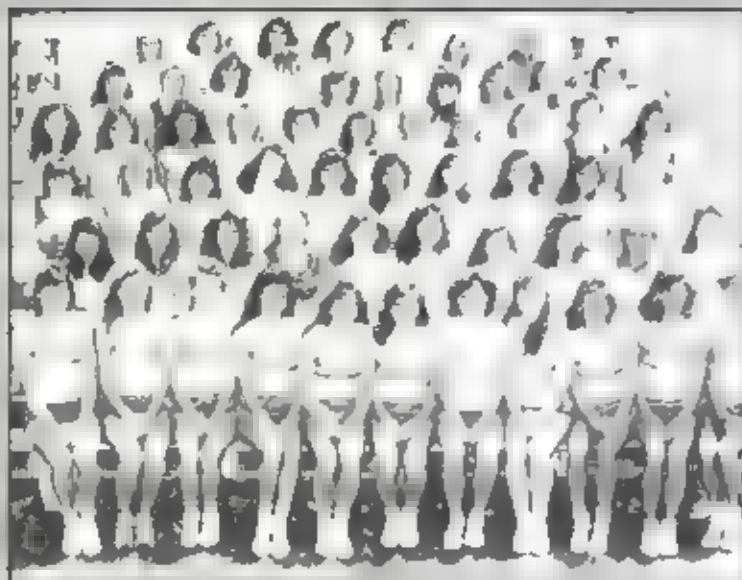
(Row One) Larry Heath, Matthew Varghese, Edward Baptista, David Madax, Shawn Blaylock, Alex Martin, Brian Chapman  
 (Row two) John Dunn, Eric Vanmeter, Mark Jones, Chris Reyes, Travis Steen, Steve Boyers (Row three) Collin McCormick, Jason Murray, David Winkler (Row four) Jay Starnes, Jason Ganze, Todd Ramsey (Row five) Heath Phillips, Brian Duck, Patrick Squire (Row six) Torry Paddock, Eric McElroy, Wade Hollinsworth, Randy Barnes, Coach Ed Meladdo

# POINTS LEFT OUT



## Taking A Break

Catching a breather, seniors Ashley Boling and Melissa Kay rest during a meet at Hanby Stadium. Melissa Kay qualified for Regionals in the 100 yard hurdles and the long jump. Melissa came away from the meet with a fourth and sixth place finish.



Varsity	NM
Lake Highlands Invitational	3rd
Carl Norris Relays	4th
Ruidor Relays	2nd
Highland Park Invitational	3rd
Mesaquite Relays	2nd
Duncanville Meet	3rd
District	4th

J.V.	NM
Lake Highlands Invitational	2nd
Carl Norris Relays	2nd
Mesaquite Relays	3rd

Front Row: Dawn Morgan, Patty Pound, Angie Tavey, Janet Carr, Ashley Boling, Leanna Johnson, La. Weatherly, Amy Hiser, Rena Ybaida, Michele McQuinn, Melissa Kay. Second Row: Beth Wacker, Roxanne Hanez, Tysno Rendra, Julie van Velsdonk, Shannon Jenkins, Emily Mudock, Mary Harwerth, Amy Logadinos, Shannon Westphal, Kristi Clark, Candi Taczik. Third Row: Angie Shas, Mendi Charke, Teyana Nunez, Abby Thomas, Chithia Perez, Angie De Los Santos, Tracey Atsuway, Ruthie Daigle, Yohel Lozano, Angie Diller. Fourth Row: Michelle Leeds, Shauna Maxwell, Soledad Rosales, Kim Smith, Lynn Pagan, Julie Williams, Michele Kipp, Julie Heide, Poppy Palsen, Stacy Wyrhopen, Tracey Hargrove. Fifth Row: Brooke Peeples, Karly Decker, Deborah Plummer, Jara Bowling, Mist Simmons, Ker Chigata, Kristie Leeds, Amy Williams, Kim Di Tondeo, Townsend. Sixth Row: Heather Felton, Shan Wame, Beth Rice, Lisa Mabry, Deborah Johnson, Dee Palmer, Coach Ben Robertson.

"I love to push myself. It makes me feel good to accomplish something. I plan for this to be my first of three state championships." David won the title with a throw of over 63 feet.

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Ed Mel-  
lado





## ... Every Inch Matters

**M**ichelle McGinnis tied for fourth in the high jump and Julie Van Vese gained her medal in the 1600. Julie also ended up with a sixth place finish in the 3200.

But it was from the boys track team that the true giant emerged. Sophomore David Winkler hurled the 12 pound shot 63.375 feet to set a national high school record and to bring back North Mesquite's second state championship ever.

Even David who skipped backward, spun, and pushed the iron mass farther than anyone else in the nation met the regions fierce competition face to face.

On Friday morning of the Regional competition, David's shot fell one inch short of the first place finish. "Even though I went on to win the state championship," said David, "I just did not compete up to my potential that day. When competition is that close every inch can make a difference."

David was not the only competitor who was pressured to perform by others. Michelle McGinnis who had placed second in district did not do as well as she wanted.

The rain really hurt my competition. We had to stop in the middle of the event and wait for the rain to die down. Conditions have to be perfect when so much is at stake.

Other competitions in the Regional meet were Brian Duck who finished third behind David, Brian Chapman, and Torry Pollock.

The funny thing about track, continued Coach Nolasco, "is that it never matters what you have done before. Each meet does not stand on its own, and if a competitor does not stand on their own they will not do well. You can't ever be satisfied with what has already been accomplished because everyone is always getting better. If you don't do better each meet you will be passed up."

## To The Limit

Pushing the limits, Stacy Hargrove hurdles her ten pound shot during competition at the Mesquite Invitational Junior Varsity meet. Stacy finished second in the competition.

## WORD OF MOUTH



*"I feel like I was able to leave my mark on the school through my accomplishments in track. I would not have missed the last four years of participation in sports for anything."*

— John Dunn



## Striding Forth

Making the strides, Mandy Chance sets her pace during competition in the 1600 at Hanby stadium.

## Throwing For First

After qualifying for Regionals with a second place finish in District, Brian Duck stands up to Regional competition with a third place finish. Brian competed in both the shot and discus.





# N Reaching for NUMBER ONE

**N**o matter how domineering a team's defense may be, a team cannot win games without a good offense to move the ball and put points on the board.

Scoring over 30 points a game, the J.V. offense proved more than opponents' defenses could handle. And the defense kept opponents to only eight points a game.

led by quarterback Kyle Phillips and leading rusher and scorer, Heath Phillips, the offense caused opposing defenses to have difficulty in holding the Stallions from scoring.

Helped by running backs Brian Redfearn, Scott Scholar, and Ricky Hanson the offense outscored opponents 302-83 in ten games.

Defensively the Stallions held their opponents to eight points or less in eight out of ten games.

"The game against Mesquite was the most important of the season," said defensive coach Ed Mellado.

We knew we would have to work hard in order to beat Mesquite, but we were willing to work to win, tailback Collin McCormick said.

Against Mesquite the defensive line played a major role in the team's win. "The most important play against the Skeeters came when Chad Smith blocked a punt, advancing the

ball to the 6 yard line. We scored our first touchdown from there and it swung the game in our favor," free safety Brent Brown said. Also leading the defensive line were Chris Brown, Luis Charles, and John Perak.

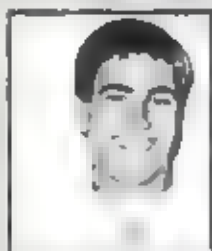
It was a great feeling knowing we completed the season being undefeated. Our coaches worked us hard and deserve some of the credit for our great season," wide receiver Jason Gradi said.

Following the undefeated seasons of previous J.V. football teams, the sophomores ended another undefeated season for the J.V. football program. Offensive coach Mike Morris said, "The sophomore class was coachable, hardworking, and dedicated athletes."

"Not only were they dedicated athletes but they were also on track to becoming Varsity players at NM," head coach John Hicks said.

## WORD OF MOUTH

"We were determined to make the '87 season a great one. We were not going to let anything get in our way. Our coaches really stressed teamwork and that was the key to our successful season."  
— Kyle Phillips



Breaking Away

Evading the grasp of a Garland player, running back (43), Johnny White tries to gain one extra yard as offensive lineman (61), Luis Charles, paves the way. Johnny White also started on defense as well as splitting time with fellow running backs Heath Phillips and Brian Redfearn. Charles, also a defensive starter, moved fullback to nose guard during the season. Photo by John Holt.

All Scrambled Up

Pouncing on a Garland miscue, defensive cornerback (24), Ramon Weaver dives for the ball in front of a Garland running back. Weaver also played running back before his season ending knee injury. Photo by John Holt.





*"It was the greatest feeling I ever had going undefeated. We were able to prove we really were number one." Wide receiver and defensive back, Jeff Ellerbrock shows his enthusiasm during the final game of the year against Mesquite. Photo by John Holt.*

## POINTS LEFT OUT

### Outstanding Offensive Players

Heath Phillips  
Kevin Cockrell

### Outstanding Defensive Players

Zach Randle  
Brian Monday  
John Derek

J.V. Player of the Year  
Kyle Phillips

### Junior Varsity (10-0)

		NM
Samuel	21	7
Bethner	34	7
Skyline	44	3
Lakeview	26	6
Greenville	34	6
Highland Park	21	7
Garland	20	7
S. Garland	34	20
N. Garland	28	0
Mesquite	40	20



Junior Varsity (Row 1) Jason White, Zach Randal, Chris Johnson, Kyle Phillips, Tony Vuon, Colby Tye, Jason Grubbs, Mario Pailan, Ramon Weaver, Ruben Weaver (Row 2) Ricky Hanson, Gabe Rodriguez, Mike Moody, Tony McDonald, Gary King, Jason Andrews, David Ford, Heath Phillips, Scott Shook, Pamela Wall (Row 3) Troy Boden, Brian Ward, Shawn Newton, Brian Redfern, Johnny White, David Sampson, Chris Knight, Sean Derry, Steve Bray, Matt Sanders (Row 4) Scott Huber, Chris Roark, Chris Dylowski, Greg Lindsay, John Cook, Kevin Cockrell, Quenton Salinas, Chad Green, Luis Charles, Mike Sanchez (Row 5) John Derrick, Corey Berrings, Chris Brown, Eric Estuck, Jeff Armstrong, Steve Monte, David Winkler, Scott Forester, Todd Stapley, Ronnie Flanagan (Row 6) Todd Hamilton, Jeff Ellerbrock, Chad Smith, Mulvey Elliot, Shawn Brown, Ron Murphy, Jason McAnally, Chuck Ashby, Danny Chapman, Robert Ashby, Tommy Simpson (Row 7) Tom Charvin, Bobby Konarski, Chrissy Hearnston, Coach Joe Hicks, Coach Ed Mellado, Coach Mike Morris, Jimmy Sloan, John Pith, Gary Smith

## Outstanding In The Field

### Growing Up Is Hard to Do

No longer Pirates, J.V. football players were faced with the challenge of living up to Stallion standards. Deprived of the district title by a loss to Mesquite as freshmen at Poteet High School, the players' mutual goal was to revenge their loss.

Coming off of a 15-1-1 season at PHS and following a 10-0 season from 1986, the sophomores were aware of the winning tradition that they were to uphold.

"The sophomores completed a successful off season program at Poteet and showed potential and determination during Spring training," Joe Hicks said.

At Poteet the football team was divided into squads. During Spring training the players had to relearn how to function as a team. Unity was a major factor in the transition to North Mesquite. "Getting the team to work as a unit was a little

difficult," Ed Mellado said.

"Unity was our team's strongest point this year," quarterback Kyle Phillips said.

Determination during Spring training continued into the Summer. Head coach Joe Hicks said, "They reported in August ready to work and improve for the 1987 football season." Photo by John Holt.



### Just One More

Pulling down an interception in the Garland game, defensive cornerback (12), Zach Randal picks up a few extra yards. Starting in the secondary, Zach Randal also assumed the positions of defensive cornerback and was second string quarterback behind Kyle Phillips.

Photo by John Holt



# O

## *Always Reaching for just ONE MORE*

**L**ining up in the shotgun position, Carter's starting quarterback Cedrick Smith prepared to begin the final series of the Area Playoff game. The score looked like a double image with 1:01 left in the game and the score tied at 7-7. But what the board didn't show was, not only were the two teams tied in penetrations (the second tie-breaking method), but North Mesquite only led

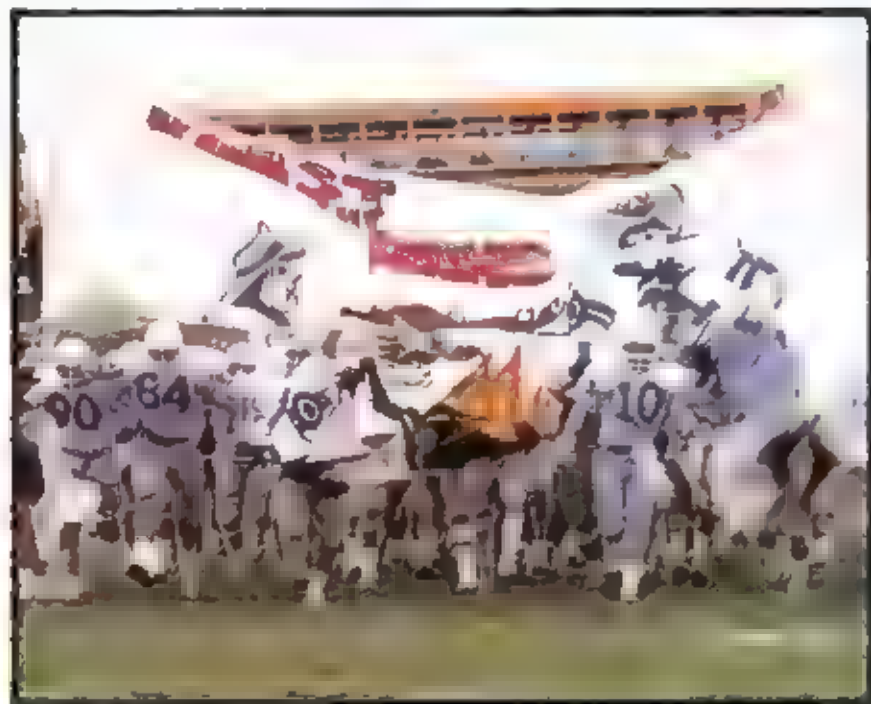
the game by three first downs (the third).

It seemed like everyone in the stands was on their feet yelling as we broke our huddle," defensive end John Kirkland said. A NM banner boasting "Texas' Best" fluttered with what little wind blew on the Cotton Bowl's playing field. The first play was a bad snap away from Smith. As he tried to retrieve the yardage lost on the snap, he was quickly chopped down on his own 11 yard line

"That was the way it was all night," added offensive receiver Brian Chapman. "The only big yardage plays came when the other team made a mistake or vice versa."

### Charging Forward

Full speed ahead, running back Johnny Moody (37) picks up a few extra yards the way he knows how. Johnny, who usually was seen carrying the ball and a few extra opponents, was named Co-Offensive Player Of The Year in District 9-5A.



### Bustin' Loose

Ready for attack, the varsity team concluded their pre game warmup by breaking through the run throughs provided for them by the art club for their season opening game against Berkner. The Stallions shut out the Rams 35-0.

### Twisting Hard

Making the cut inside, Running back Robert Jones (33), run the veere out side. Robert helped the offense to more than double their opponents' scores. Jones was named first team All District for 9-5A.





## Barreling By

Caught up in the moment, defensive back Ernie Roe (43) shows his enthusiasm after teammate Mark Jones makes the interception during their game against Spruce. The Stallions pulled out of a tie in order to win the game 27-21. Ernie received honorable mention for 1st SA & All District Team.



# Outstanding

## On the Sideline

### A Change of Plans

Expect the unexpected! That was the motto of Stallion game plans for their second straight undefeated season. Opposing teams showed up for battle with formations ranging from the "single wing" to the "swinging gate." "They (the opposing teams) would show up with formations we had never seen before," said defensive end Brian Duggan. "It was pretty frustrating to practice all week on one thing and then not even see it in the game."

"Who I felt sorry for," added John Kirkland, "was the other teams. They would have to change their entire offenses just to try to confuse us. You can see how much it helped them."

But how did the Stallions adjust to all these changes? "We made a good bit of our adjustments on the field," said Brian. "We also would meet after each defensive series with our position coaches." Coaches Bill Taylor, Kenny Barnes, and Carl Jackson would welcome their defensive squads off the field with either a warm smile or a dissenting frown.

"I let them know exactly how they were doing," said defensive coordinator Bill Taylor, "but I never let them get down on themselves. We would just gather, adjust, regroup, rest, and get ready to attack again."



Bill Taylor

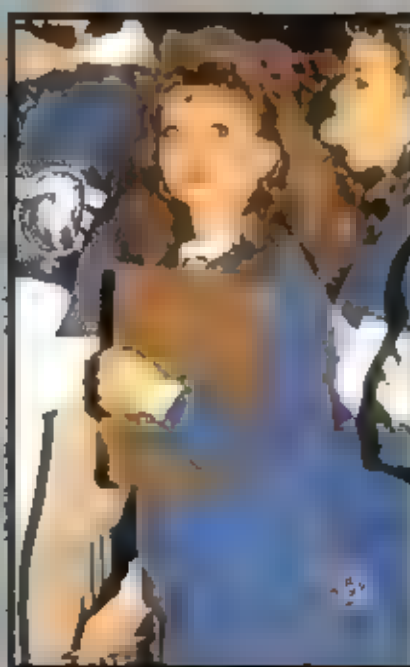


Kenny Barnes



Carl Jackson

"He is one of the smoothest players I have ever seen," said the Garland coach after their game with North Mesquite about linebacker Joe Bowden. "He hits everything at full speed." Joe was named a Parade All American Linebacker for his performance during the season. Photo by Ron Taylor



### Get it Straight

Checking out the score, statistician Julie Owens glances to the north end scoreboard in the Carter game. Julie was in charge of keeping up with what play was called on every down of every game. Once Julie even got to make a call of her own. The defense sacked the Mesquite quarterback after Julie called for a linebacker blitz up the middle.

## POINTS LEFT OUT

### All District

#### 1st Team Offense

David Allen OL  
Eric Elder OL  
Steve Sagraves TE  
Robert Jones RB  
John Moody RB  
Chuck Rawlinson PK

#### 2nd Team Offense

Greg Good OL  
Norian Diaz OL

#### 2nd Team Defense

Brian Duggan DE

#### Honorable Mention

Gilbert Garza OL  
Brian Sagraves TE  
John Dunn WR  
Robby Vaughn QB  
Forrest Scott LB  
Ernie Roe DB  
Brian Nabors DB

#### 1st Team Defense

Chris Ummer DB

#### Co-Offensive Player Of The Year

Johnny Moody

#### Defensive Player Of The Year

Joe Bowden

#### Co-Coach Of The Year

Gary Childress

#### All State

Joe Bowden 1st Team LB  
Brian Duck 2nd Team DL

# POINTS LEFT OUT

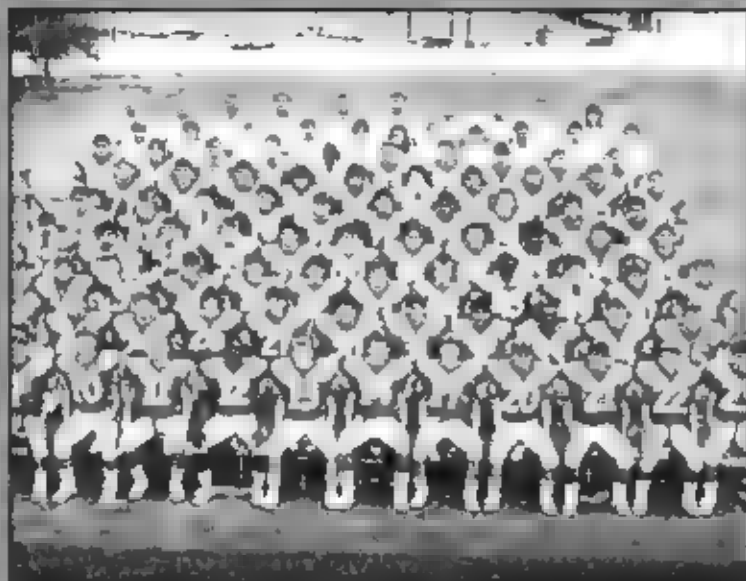


## Standing Tall

With backup quarterbacks Steve Boyett (14) and Todd Kites (17) at his side, Head Coach Gary Childress watches as first team leader Robby Vaughn runs the offense. Coach Childress led his team to their third consecutive district title. Todd Kites finished the season playing defensive secondary after starter Brian Nabors injured his knee. Photo by John Woolard.

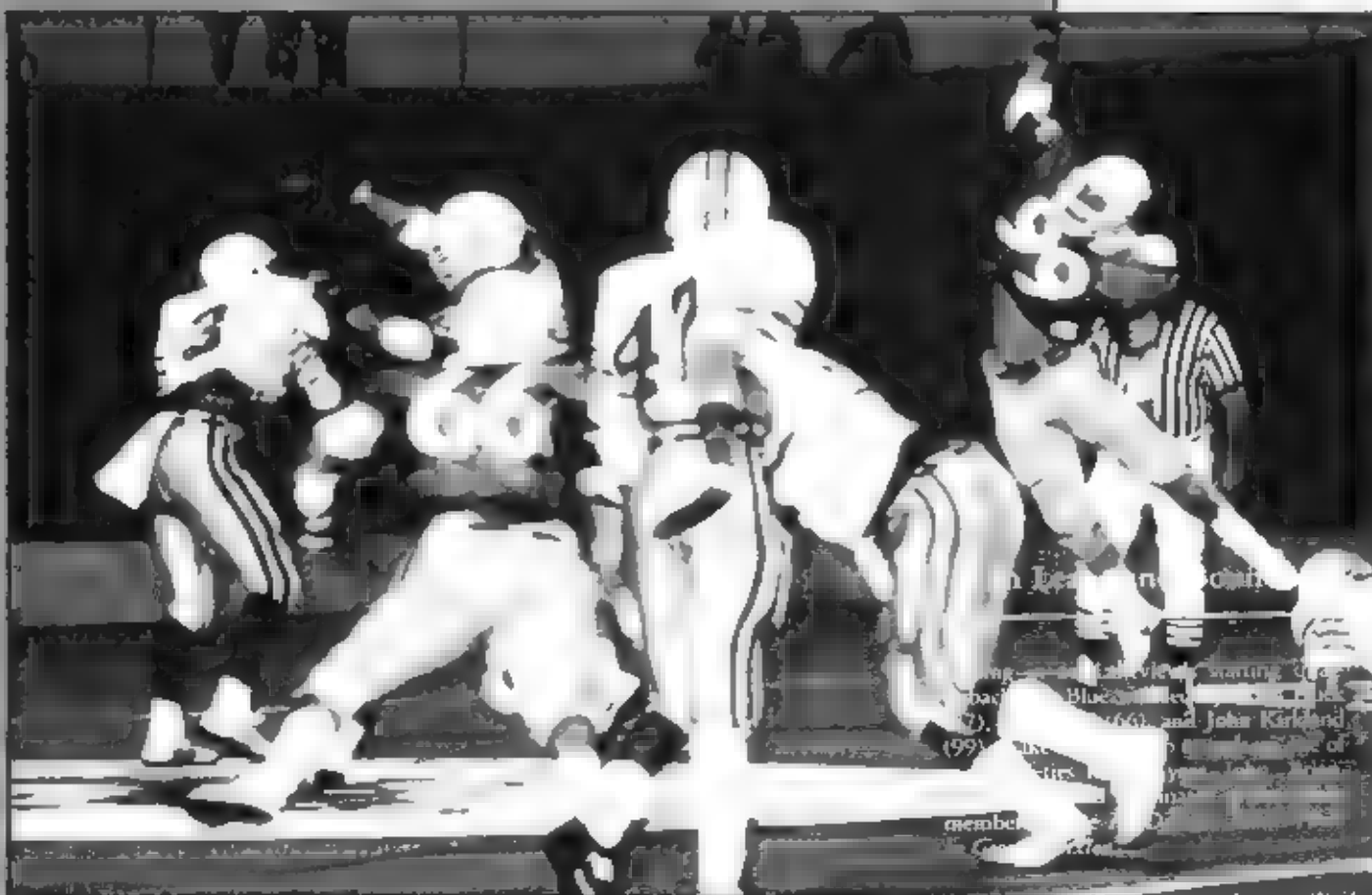
### Varsity 12-0-1

	W	L
Somerville	20	0
Berkner	0	35
Skyline	0	42
Lakeview	0	28
Greenville	14	45
Highland Park	14	24
Garland	21	26
Garland	21	30
Garland	1	31
Menquite	14	63
Playoff Games		
Spruce	21	27
Carle	1	9
Cy-Fair	28	26
District Games		

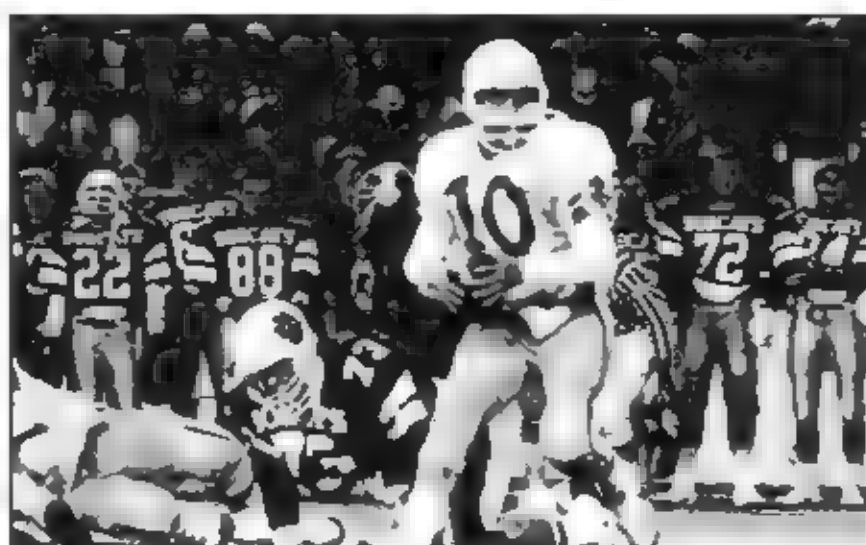


Varsity Row 1: K. Smith, Robby Vaughn, Mark Jones, Jay McWee, Eric Roe, Treve Brown, Todd Kites, Jason Murry, E. Childress, Jason Dalton, Brian Nicks. Row 2: Jeff Smith, Jeff Jones, Jason Nicks, John Dunn, John Lamm, Todd Row 3: Richard Calvanos, Robert Jones, Brad Morris, Forrest Sosa, Row 3: Seamon, Paul Johnny, Moody, Brian Chapman, A. Hard, Outward, Russell Pate, Chuck, El, E. Foy, Joe Bowden, Eric McGray, Jimmy Oak, Mark Levine. Row 4: Mark Yanda, Homer Doh, Chris Schappagh, Jamie Coker, Todd Kewisher, John Farnes, Terry Jolley, Jason Nevil, Devanar Walling, Billy Metzger. Row 5: Jeff Grant, Eric Reed, Jack Harrison, Eric Elder, John Davis, John Bailey, Julian, John Russell, Jr., Jason Grey, Chad, El, P. Rasmussen. Row 6: Brian Doh, Mark Vanvessom, Jay Trines, Johnny Hawkins, Ling, Sue, Jeff New, Kirby Valmring, Brian Segraves, Steve Soyars, Steve Molen. Row 7: Joseph Morray, Ricky Parker, Brian Dugan, Dan Gil, Marcus Gray, Andy Cech, John Kukland, Danny Fish, Tony Schmitz, Chai Moore. Row 8: Jerry Ayers, Steven Methun, John Hall, Wade Haringworth, A. Childress, Chris Ade, Nathan, Porter, J. Hargham, David Bowler, Corby Chisley, Jon Ward. Row 9: Jay, James, El, David, Mark, White, Pike, Thad, Steve Wagg, Carl Jackson, Randy Barnes, Kenny Terrell, Brian, Matt, Denise, Parlor.

"After the North Garland game we had already cinched a playoff spot," said Running Back and special teams leader Richard Dulworth (41). "All the hard work was finally starting to pay off." Richard along with defensive back Russell Pate (42) celebrate after the game as the rest of the team gathers around Spirit. Photo by John Woolard.







In His Grasp

Eyes Up Field

Dragging down the North Garland quarterback and big tackler Joe Bowden puts an end to the Raiders drive. Joe and the rest of the Blue Wall defense held North Garland to only seven points and earned a playoff spot with the victory. The Stallion defense held their opponents to an average of only 11 points a game. Photo by Kyle Herrin

Setting up the veete offense, quarterback Robby Vaughn evades the grasp of the Bobcats' defensive tackle. Robby was able to lead the Stallions through a twelve game undefeated season before being eliminated in the Regional Playoff game by the Cy-Fair Bobcats. The Bobcats advanced from the '88 '89 tie or penetrations. Photo by Kyle Herrin

## ... Just One More

**C**alling for the second snap of the series, Smith once again lined up in the backfield. Forced to his right by defensive tackle Brian Duck, the team's leading big play man, Smith got the ball off only a tenth of a second before being slammed to the turf by defensive end Brian Duggan. The pass went a good twenty yards before defensive back Ernie Row knocked the ball down just fingertips from the intended receiver Will Moore, Carter's leading offensive end.

"They tried to throw us off by coming back with the same play on the third down conversion attempt," defensive back Brian Nabors said. But once again Ernie Row, along with the help of defensive safety Mark Jones, batted the ball down incomplete.

This was it. We knew as those last few seconds ticked off that the Cowboys had to either score

or at least make a penetration against us to win," defensive end Brian Duggan said. This was a tall order against a defense who had only given up 67 total yards all night. A last second call sent linebacker Joe Bowden, the team's leading tackler and first team state nominee, flying on the snap of the ball. Smith backed up and turned away from Bowden, only to come face to face with Brian Duck once more. Smith made one last about face. There seemed to be nowhere to escape as he was dragged down in the end zone by noseguard Andy Cook just as the buzzer made its final sound.

It seemed only right, while the field filled with celebrating

teenagers, that the "Big Blue Bruise Crew," as a local paper called the Stallion defense, should come up with the go ahead points to give N.M. their first ever Area Championship.

But Carter wasn't the only team to have trouble advancing the ball against the Stallions' Blue Wall. After completely shutting out preseason opponents, the Stallions dominated district 9-5A. Including a near perfect thrashing of district challenger, Mesquite.

It is pretty scary what you can do to a team when you set your mind on it and you make up your mind to play, Head Coach Gary Childress said about their third straight undefeated district championship.

I really felt we played our most complete game against Mesquite.

But this story was not a completely happy one for the Stallions who finished the season second in the state and number ten in the nation.

After two

close playoff games against Spruce and Carter, the seemingly unstoppable Stallions were finally chased down from behind. Despite the help of the Stallions' equally strong offense, who had more than doubled their opponents' points for the year and were led by the twin powers of Johnny Moody and Robert Jones, they couldn't escape a strong come from behind drive by the Cy-Fair Bobcats. The Bobcats advanced on penetrations after tying the game up at 28-28.

I had always dreamed of going undefeated my senior year," said offensive lineman Greg Good. "This was just an awful way of doing it."

### WORD OF MOUTH

"I don't know if you could call me a leader. I just tried to do my best and to help others to reach their goals. Things just always seemed to work out."

— Brian Nabors





# T

## Defending tradition

**T**he trail to the playoffs is challenging. But for many of the players on the boys soccer team, the challenge was, not in defeating tough district contenders or overcoming the lack of playing experience among the young members. The challenge was battling with the expectations of a school that was still haunted by the ghost of a past state playoff team.

"We were always reminded of the success of last year's team and that really got us motivated," David Wilcox said.

Winning over Mesquite in overtime proved to be a challenge in the Stallions' district play.

After playing two 40 minute halves, two 10 minute overtimes and two sudden deaths it finally came down to the shoot-out. I thought it would never end," said goalie Ricky Parker. "We had been running continuously for two and a half hours but we knew we couldn't give up."

Winning the shoot-out the Stallions defeated the Skeeters with a score of 2-1.

However, in the game against South Garland the Stallions fell short by a goal. Playing their second overtime game the team experienced their only district loss to S. Garland with a score of 1-2.

The loss to SGHS motivated the team to work hard so that they could advance to the Bi District playoffs," Coach Steve Bragg said.

Defeating Richardson in the Bi-

District game with a score of 2-0, the Stallions began to look toward State. With the NM defense allowing an average of only one goal per game, the Stallions were confident about the Area game against Kimball.

But the defensive unit consisting of Todd Poot, Lance Lowery, Sam Weatherby and Larry Glass was not prepared for the speed of the Kimball Knights resulting in a loss with a score of 1-4.

"Our main weakness was our inexperience as a Varsity team," Chuck Rawlinson said.

With only three lettermen returning, the Varsity team was made up of mostly juniors who had no experience in playoff games.

"Lack of experience was one of the reasons for our early loss into the playoffs, but by next year the team ought to have the experience they need," Coach Steve Bragg said.

"Ending the season with a 17-3 record our young team experienced playing in the playoffs as well as learning to work together," said Lance Lowery. "And that is what really counts. Our program always gives players a chance to do their best."

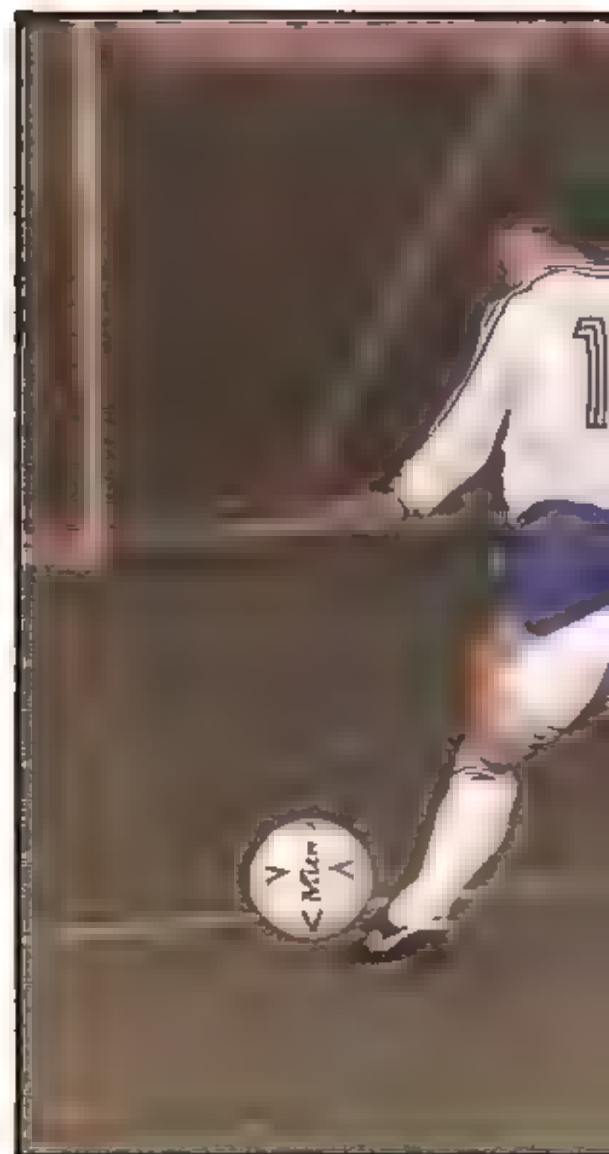
### Clash of Opponents

Interfering with an offensive play, Chuck Rawlinson stops the ball from being passed to an opponent. Chuck was honored by receiving Second Team All-District honors. Photo by George Thixton

### WORD OF MOUTH

"We performed well in district play and had a good season overall. We worked hard and knew we would have to if we wanted to advance to the playoffs. Although we lost to Kimball we succeeded in working as a team."

— Franco Diaz



## Player of the Year

Running past opponents after a steal, David Wilcox prepares to kick the ball into the goal. David was named District 9-5A Player of the Year. Photo by George Thixton

## Making the Play

Looking on as his team plays against Mesquite, Coach Steve Bragg looks ahead to instruct his players. Photo by George Thixton.



# Outstanding

## In Their Field

### Trainer due covers all sports

Imagine spraining an ankle during a basketball game and having no one available to help you out of misery and pain. That is the purpose of having student trainers. Student trainers assist Coach Dennis Hart and Coach Denise Theriot in treating injuries at Varsity Games and J.V. games.

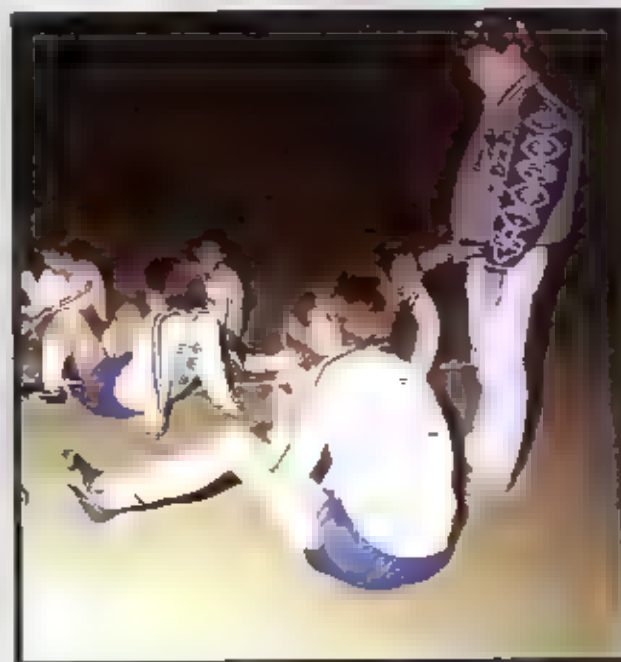
"To be a trainer you have to learn how to identify injuries and be able to tape and treat them correctly," Coach Dennis Hart said.

"The first time I treated someone for a muscle spasm was scary," said Christy Ledford. "I had to be careful because their health depended on me at the moment. I never knew being a trainer would hold so much responsibility."

Attending every sport competition except for tennis and golf, the NM student trainers attend practices as well.

"Being a trainer takes dedication," said John Holt. "Some people don't realize

how much time it takes. But I realize how important my job is and the time is worth my while."



"Although we didn't advance as far as we did last year I had a great season and the team worked hard to get to Area," Trent Prewitt said. Face to face with a Kimball Knight, Prewitt jumps to block the ball from reaching his opponent. Photo by George Thixton.

## POINTS LEFT OUT

### Varsity

		NM
Hillcrest	0	2
Piano East	0	1
Sunser	2	3
Kimball	1	0
Sulphur Springs	0	6
Tyler John Tyler	0	12
North Garland	0	4
South Garland	2	5
Garland	0	2
Mesquite	1	2
Rockwall	0	3
Lakeview	2	6
North Garland	0	7
South Garland	2	1
Garland	3	4
Mesquite	1	3
Rockwall	0	8
Lakeview	0	2

Bl-District		
Richardson	0	2

Area		
Kimball	4	1

Season record 17-3

### J.V.

		NM
Piano East	0	1
Sulphur Springs	0	5
Duncanville	2	1
Bryan Adams	3	5
Lewisville Marcus	0	3
Paris	0	2
Paris	1	3
Duncanville	2	2

Season record 6-1-1



Varsity Front Row: Brent Orma, Genel Garcia, Terry Handley, Ricky Parker. Norman Diaz, Joseph Stachowiak, Genzel Garcia, Brandon Dry Second Row: Robin Anderson, Lance Lowery, Larry Giza, Trent Prewitt, Chris Harrison, Scott Moreno, Todd Poor, Franco Diaz, Ray Nason Third Row: Wesley Cunningham, Mike Jacisk, Sam Weatherby, Chuck Rawlinson, Danny Sisk, Doug Wyga, Roger Adams, Brian Farmer, David Wilcox, Nova Heilin, Coach Steve Bragg



J.V. Front Row: Wesley Cunningham, Danny Stevens, Matt Chambers, Johnnie Stiff, Phillip Suder, Joseph Stachowiak, Mike Jacisk Second Row: Brandon Dry, Chad Heuterly, Gary King, Chad Smith, Genel Garcia, Genzel Garcia, Terry Handley Third Row: Brent Orma, Robin Anderson, Tim Teems, Franco Diaz, Billy Johnston, Nova Heilin, Ray Nason, Coach Steve Bragg



# S

## Kicking up the Tempo After a HAKY START

**E**ntering district, things looked pretty grim for coach Mark White and the North Mesquite Soccer team. The girls had just come off a very tough preseason schedule with a record of 0-5-1. "First part of the season was really hectic," said forward Michelle Guerrero. No one had a set position. I started as goalie. No one was use to playing with each other, but we got a lot of experience playing the tough teams we did.

But once the girls hit the district schedule they were off and running. They won 9 of their next 10 games to finish second in the district. The Stallions' only loss was to Lakeview the District 9-5 AAAAA champions. "Everyone started working together," said left fullback

Angel Larson who was named Honorable Mention for the All-District team. "The new players finally realized what it takes to make it on varsity, and the entire team got use to playing together."

After surprising everyone by clinching the runner-up posi-

tion in district, the Stallions set their sights on their next opponent and personal rival, Plano.

Coming in to the game without a chance, according to everyone asked, the Lady Stallions dropped Plano quick in the first half to take a 2-0 lead. "We had Plano scared," said right fullback Monica Tafur. "We just came out with all of our power."

But within thirty minutes this seemingly perfect picture came crashing down. "Plano came out of the locker room with momentum," said Michelle Guerrero. "They pulled off a 3-2 win and left us standing just one point away from our dreams. It was a challenge we just couldn't meet on that day."

### WORD OF MOUTH

*"Coach White is a s like a second father to all of us. He is fair, honest, and a strong man."*

— Shellie Chance



### Practice Makes Perfect

Working out, Erin Otero, Shellie Chance and Lisa Finch run a drill during practice before the North Garland game. All three girls were named to the All-District team. Photo by John Woodland



### Tough Play

Making the block, Erin Otero (8) leaps to make the stop during the Mesquite game. Photo by Ron Taylor

### Tough Coach

Straightening up the play, Coach White calls in corrections from the sideline during the District game against Mesquite. The girls won the game 4-1 and ended up with a record of 2-0 against Mesquite. Photo by Ron Taylor





*"Our season had its ups and downs. My love for my teammates, coach, and the sport have given me immense happiness and pride to be a Stallion." Shellee was named Most Valuable Player of the All-District team.*

## POINTS LEFT OUT

All District

1st Team

Lonnie Critenden

Shellee Chance — MVP

2nd Team

Michelle Guerrero — MV offense

Lisa Finch — MV defense

Honorable Mention

Angie Larson

Erin Ortero

VARSITY (8-9-1)		W-L
Lake Highlands	0	0
Arlington Martin	1	0
L. D. Bell	3	0
Thomas Jefferson	3	0
Arlington Lamar	3	0
Bryon Adams	3	1
*Garland	0	0
*North Garland	2	4
*Lakeview	2	1
*Mesquite	0	2
*South Garland	2	0
*Garland	0	4
*North Garland	0	2
*Lakeview	2	1
*Mesquite	1	4
*South Garland	0	4
II-District		
Piano	3	2
*District Games		



Varsity (Row One) Patty Leun, Monica Talar, Laurie Muddox, Angel Larson, Kim Mills, Tammy Briggs, Lon Critenden, Beth Bards. Row Two Julie Hawkins, Roxie McGary, Laura McGhee, Michelle Guerrero, Kassy Cole, Shelly Chance, Tiffany Heidelberg, Tamara Gray, Rocky Kirk (Row Three) Angel Miller, Karen Edwards, Jessie Hill, Carolyn Tobias, Erin Ortero, Lisa Finch, Anna Gonzalez, Chetill Congelion, Christ Herndon, Coach Mark White.



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*Just out*

## F REACH

**F**rustration showed on the face of starting player Chris Zivney as he walked off the court after an overtime loss to district leader Greenville. In the fourth district game the Stallions had lost by less than 6 points during Chris' senior year.

"We played just well enough to win all of our games," said head coach Charles Weeks, but because of mistakes we just seemed to keep coming up

empty handed."

Part of the problem the Stallions had was a lack of playing experience together. The starting team was comprised of Juniors and Sophomores.

Chris Zivney was named first team all district and Brian Heaps was named to the All-Sophomore team. "Brian used his talent well," said Coach Weeks. "It just seemed like he was thrown to the wolves. There was a real lack of varsity playing time on the team. It made it

tough on us playing against players with two or three years of varsity experience. Next year we will be the ones with experience."

### Standing Strong

Looking for the opening, point guard Brian Heaps (22) finds the pass for the inside shot. The Stallions lost to Lakeview (52-47). Brian started his 10th grade year and was named to the All-Sophomore Team.

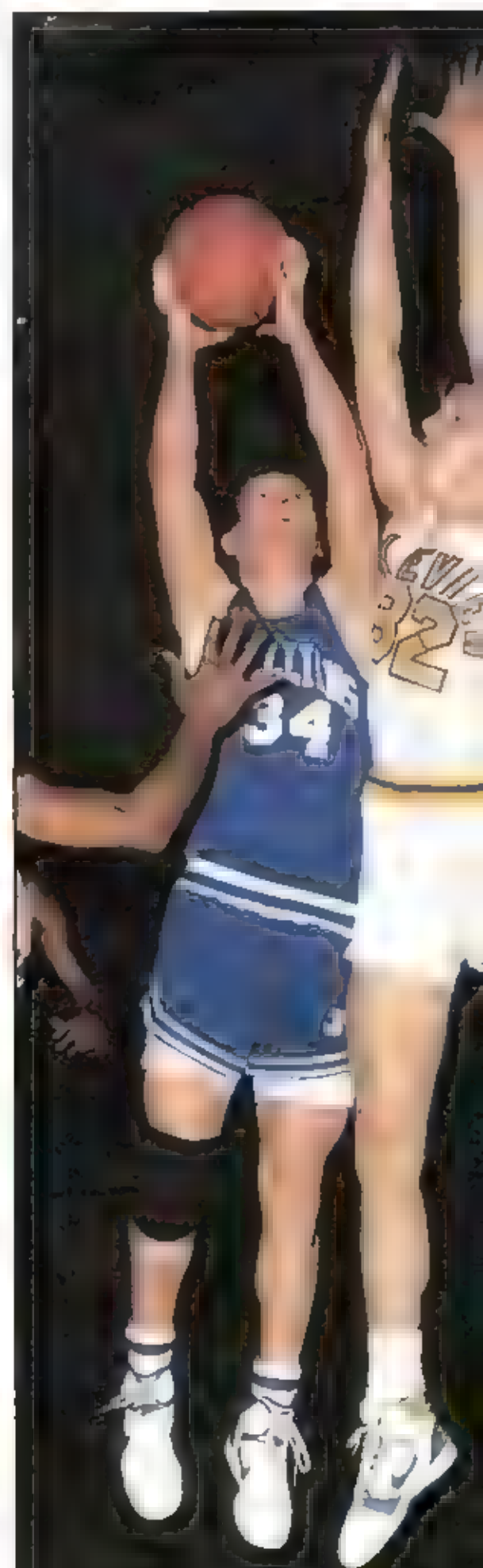


### Making the Moves

Looking to place the ball inside Rodney Washington (32) sets up the pass during their victory over Lakeview (36-32). Rodney was one of the four juniors who started throughout the season.

### Laying down the Law

Discussing the game plan, Coach Charles Weeks points out what he wants done to Brian Heaps (22) during the home game against Mesquite. The Stallions beat Mesquite (65-57) in their first district game.





# Outstanding

ON THE COURT

## Staying on Balance

Bringing the ball down court, guard Duane Hockenhall (52) decides on his next move as Chris Zivney (34) sets for the pass, during the home game against Highland Park.



## Three Point Shot Opens Up the Game

What is the difference between high school basketball and college basketball? Outside of the level of ability is the absence of slam dunk and the three point shot. This margin of difference was narrowed this year with the addition of the three point shot rule to high school ball.

"The three point shot helped us to catch up quickly with the opposing teams," said sophomore Bryan Heaps. "Chris Zivney was able to utilize the shot very well. He kept us in many of the games."

"It was easy to see how Chris earned first team All District honors with this

kind of shooting," Coach Weeks said.

"The new rule also changed the way teams played defense," said Palmer Reed. "We had to cover the player farther away from the basket because of the threat of the three pointer."

"The shot also opened up the middle," said post Brent Williams. "We were able to get the ball inside more and get those shots. It also makes the games more exciting."

"When we could hit the shot we were unstoppable," said Zivney. "The three pointer became a really big part of our game plan."

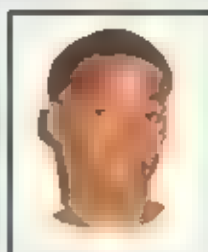


## POINTS LEFT OUT

### WORD OF MOUTH

I am the MacArthur game Coach Weeks came in at halftime and told us he believed in us and knew we could pull this game out in the second half we came back and beat them!"

— Palmer Reed



All District First Team  
Chris Zivney  
All Sophomore Team  
Brian Heaps



Managers and Trainers

"Although the season didn't go the way I planned. I did enjoy playing ball. I got to know the guys on the team real well. And I gained the experience I need for college." Chris was named to the first team All-District team.

### Varsity (6-23)

Bryan Adams	53	60
Sunder	50	44
Richardson	59	48
Pearce	76	67
Samuel	74	56
Lamar	61	60
Mac Arthur	63	47
DeSoto	57	66
Bishop Dunne	56	53
Rodwell	60	50
Roosevelt	61	63
Grand Prairie	51	49
Mac Arthur	46	47
Lake Highlands	63	45
R.L. Turner	52	44
*Mesquite	57	62
*Garland	67	68
*Lakeview	52	47
*North Garland	62	61
*South Garland	48	42
*Greenville	42	40
*Highland Park	52	54
*Mesquite	53	49
*Garland	60	55
*Lakeview	32	36
*North Garland	56	49
*South Garland	80	56
*Greenville	70	63
*Highland Park	66	45

\* District games



### Varsity

Rodney Washington, Duane Hockenhall, Paul Franks, Palmer Reed, Ron House, Brent Williams, Brad Ballleson, Troy Montgomery, Chris Zivney, Bryan Heaps, Ollie Reiter



# H

## Always Reaching Higher and IGHER

**"B**alance is the key word to describe the J V team," said Coach Kyle Short. "The top eight players all had equal ability and they usually played very consistently." But balance just didn't seem to be enough to put points on the scoreboard for the Stallions.

Several times we would come back from behind, but we just weren't able to take the lead," post Stan Stephan said. In a pre-season tournament

against Roosevelt the Stallions went in at haltime down by 30 points.

Coach, came in and talked to us and showed us what the problem was. We came back out, settled down, and closed their lead to only three points, point guard John Dent said.

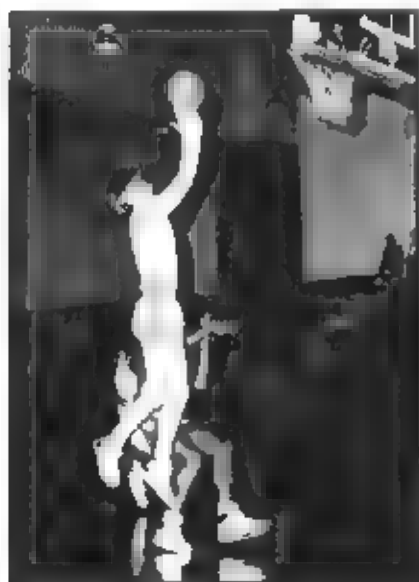
If balance was the word that best characterized the team then flash plays is what made the season interesting. "Against R. L. Turner I threw a short behind the back pass on a fast break," said post Robert Ep-

person. "Everyone in the gym started yelling."

The guys learned how to play well together," said Coach Short. "If they can raise their skill level, and with a year of growth and maturity, when they get to Varsity they will be highly competitive."

### Getting Prepared

During a time out against Mesquite at North Mesquite gym, Coach Kyle Short gives over some in-game adjustments. The Stallions lost to Mesquite after defeating the Skeeters earlier in the season 49-30. Photo by John Willard.



### Jumping High

After racing the opposing Lakeview player down court, Pete Houpt (40) places the ball for a two foot jumper on the fast break. North Mesquite lost to Lakeview twice in district play 43-32 and 44-30. Photo by John Willard.

### Making the Move

Trying to get a member of Highland Park's defense out of position with a double pump move, Scott Hoppie (32) plants to go up for the shot. The Stallions defeated the Scots 52-50 in North Mesquite gym, and ended the season with a 1-2 record with Highland Park. Photo by John Willard.





### Playing Tough

Looking his way out of Mesquite's double team, guard John Denk (10) looks to pass the ball to the middle. The Stallions ended the game 3-1 with the Stallions, after a late six-point run to 44-38 in the second half of District 1-1A. Photo by John Wollard.

*"Getting a lot of playing time on J.V. was a great experience for me. It gave me a chance to know how much fun it is to play. I want to work that much harder for Varsity now," said Robert Epperson (54). Photo by John Wollard.*

## POINTS LEFT OUT

### Outstanding Offensive Player

Chad Allen

### WORD OF MOUTH

When we played Roosevelt we got down early in the first half and Roosevelt got the momentum. We began playing really well in the second half and started to catch up but we just couldn't pull it through. I know what they mean by the power of momentum.

Kevin Herron



### Outstanding Defensive Player

Ollie Reiter

### Junior Varsity (7-24)

		NM
Bryan Adams	31	64
Surser	40	57
Richardson	64	16
Newman-Smith	43	49
Berkner	39	25
Lakeview	58	36
Pearce	49	36
Kumitz	64	42
Holman	53	47
MacArthur	59	37
Grapevine	48	56
Piano East	35	18
South Garland	55	38
Roosevelt	61	37
Grand Prairie	47	35
RL Teimer	52	44
*Mesquite	30	59
*Garland	43	59
*Lakeview	45	32
*North Garland	48	30
*South Garland	59	42
*Greenville	48	45
*Highland Park	45	35
*Mesquite	44	36
*Highland Park	50	53
*Garland	52	35
*Lakeview	44	30
*North Garland	40	25
*South Garland	62	26
*Greenville	57	41
*Highland Park	40	36

\*District games



Junior Varsity (Front row) Matt Durler, Peter Haupt, Scott Happle, Brent Farr, Robert Epperson, Stanley Stephen (Second row) Tania Wiley, Oliver Villaruel, Chad Allen, Sean Boyea, Todd Nease, Tim Arden, Tommy Chavin (Third row) Michele Taylor, Tammy Crutchfield, John Denk, Hong Lee, Kevin Herron, Derek Cook, Danny Skare, Coach Short.

# S

## Shooting FREE

"T

This is it. It's now or never,"

Coach Donna Capps said in

the locker room of Frank Erwin Events Center in Austin just as the girls basketball team was to step on the basketball court to make NM history before 5,200 fans. For the first time in North Mesquite history the girls basketball team made the trek to Austin for the State's Final Four.

The dream of a state championship ended Saturday, March 5 at Austin as the Scallions fell short to the Duncanville Pantherettes 60-46.

The road to Austin was much longer than the five hours it took to drive there the Thursday before the Semi-Finals. The team had to capture the 9-5A championship, bi-district, and area titles, and the Region II tournament in Waco.

"It was the most exciting season I've ever had," said post Teresa McMullan. "We made our goal for the season to go to

state, and we worked hard to achieve that goal."

It could have been the three D's that helped the girls reach their goals. "Coach Capps motivated us in a positive way to where we had the three D's it takes to win. Dedication, Desire and self-Discipline," point guard Misti Goodman said.

"Throughout my basketball career, all I wanted to do was to go to the State Tournament," said Coach Donna Capps. "These girls helped make my dream come true."

As the dream came closer and closer to reality, the team received recognition on TV newscasts as well as on the front pages in the Sports section in the *Dallas Times Herald* and *Dallas Morning News*.

They were ranked number one all season, and they received more media attention as competition heated up through the season.

"It was exciting but also scary to be ranked number one," said post Cynthia Horton,

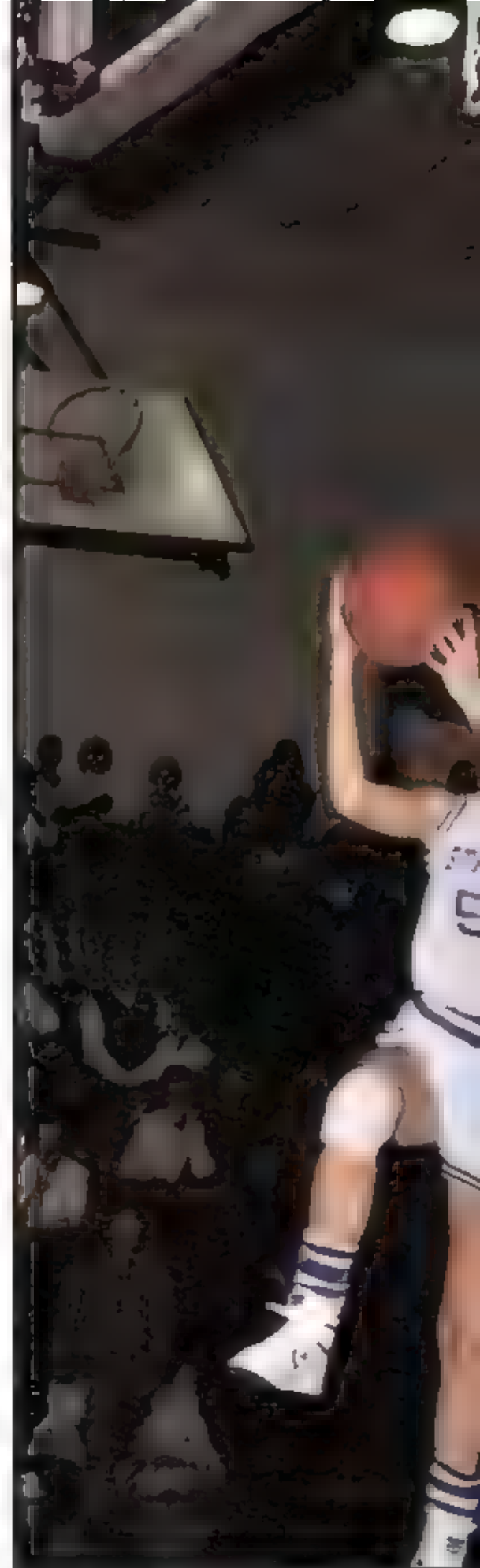
"We knew everyone would be out to beat us, yet we continued to practice hard and keep our minds on the next game. We knew we couldn't afford to get big heads."

Finishing the district season with an undefeated 14-0 record, the team advanced to bi-district play-offs, beating South Oak Cliff by a score of 52-36.

Facing Plano East for the second time at the Area play-offs was one of their biggest challenges. Losing to the Pantherettes a year earlier in the Area play-offs, after having a 10 point lead, the girls provided the incentive to win.

"There was a great revenge factor in the Plano East game," said Goodman. "It was the game everyone was most nervous about."

"Before the game I pepped the girls up by passing out pink cards from the previous year on which the girls had written down their feelings about the loss to Plano East," Coach Capps said.



### Getting A Grip

Reading the North Garland defense, Mistyna Burch looks for an open teammate near the goal. Participating in the Dallas County Good Grades game, Mistyna was named MVP and won a \$1,000 scholarship.

Photo by Ron Taylor

### Keep Away

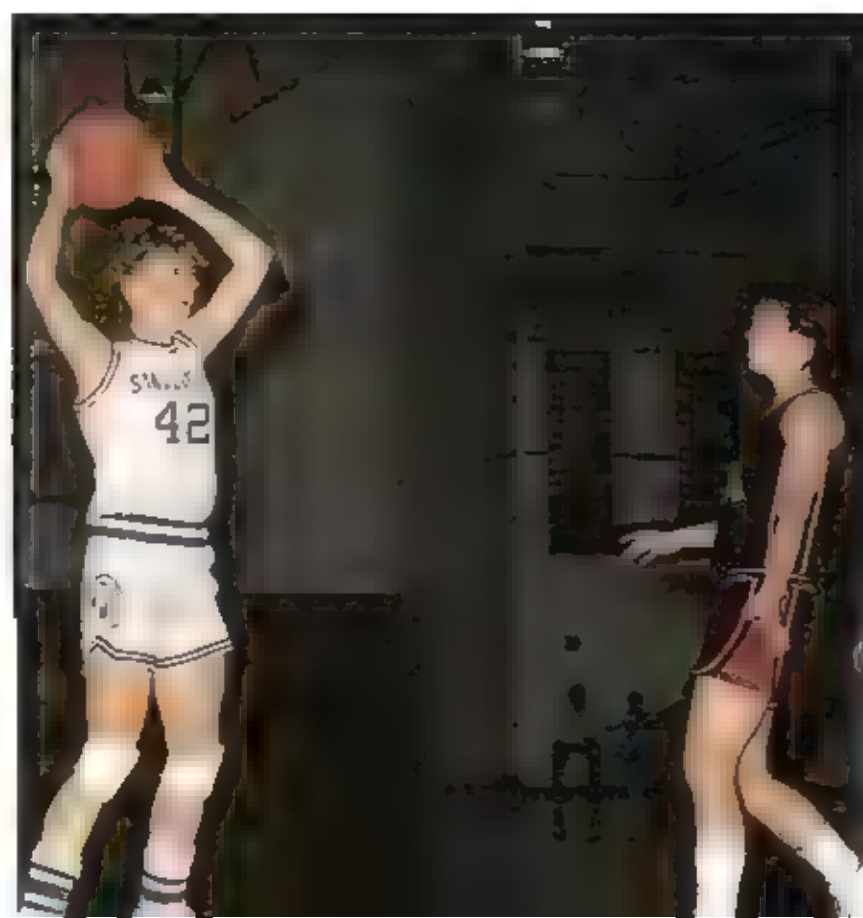
Driving past a North Garland defender, Teresa McMullan takes the ball to the basket. Scoring a total of 428 points in the season, Teresa also led the team in rebounds during play-off games.

Photo by Ron Taylor



### Always Ahead

One step ahead of her North Garland opponent, Misti Goodman looks to score with a lay up. Misti was named MVP in 9-5A District Awards. Photo by Ron Taylor







"We felt real proud going to state because it was Coach Capps' lifetime dream," Cynthia Horton said. Along with many other awards Cynthia was voted Player of the Year by the Texas High School Association of Coaches.

## POINTS LEFT OUT

		NM
South Oak Cliff	36	63
Lewisville	51	58
Piano East	30	56
Marlin	40	45
Tyler Lee	40	44
Molok	18	50
Lake Highlands	24	46
Piano	44	54
Madison	42	59
Umar	21	51
Temple	44	68
L. D. Bell	48	52
Duncanville	39	49
Greenville	39	58
Highland Park	34	49
Arlington	32	49
Clear Creek	51	70
Duncanville	40	49
Richland	38	46
Mesquite	35	59
Garland	26	60
Lakeview	11	49
North Garland	30	66
South Garland	28	49
Greenville	34	51
Highland Park	21	40
Mesquite	30	52
Garland	29	47
Lakeview	12	44
North Garland	42	60
South Garland	28	66
BI-District		
South Oak Cliff	34	52
Area		
Piano East	30	56
Regionals		
Longview	47	50
Temple	40	54
State		
Clear Creek	34	50
Duncanville	60	46
Season Record	36-1	



Row 1: Robin Rhodes, Jennifer Haas, Jennifer Tanton, Katy Thomas, Libby Thomas, Teresa McMillan, Cynthia Horton, Pollye Throneberry, Mileyana Burch, Julie Paul, Misti Goodman, Rachel Oliver



Managers and Trainers: Row 1: Melanie Cary, Karen McMillan, Second Row: Noelle Roy, Becky McGinn, Ginger Heflin, Third Row: Barbara Corbin, Tammie Tanner, Amy Fyler, Christy Jeddard

## Outstanding Superstition

### Mickey-Mania

M-I-C-K-E-Y C-A-P-P-S! That was the chant of the basketball team as they adopted Mickey Mouse as their team mascot after Coach Donna Capps seemed to rub off her craze for Mickey onto her team.

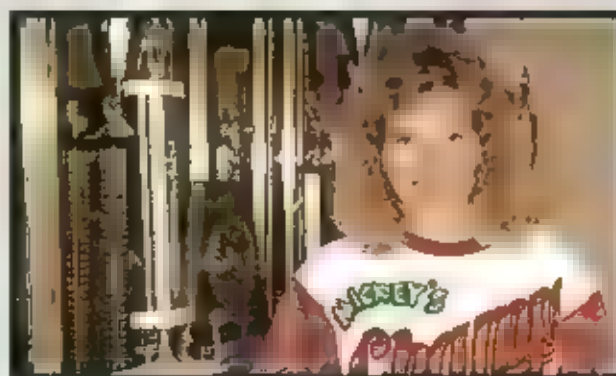
Feeling strongly about the good luck of Mickey Mouse, the entire team wore Mickey watches. Teresa McMillan owns blue mouse ears and knows all the words to the Mickey Mouse song.

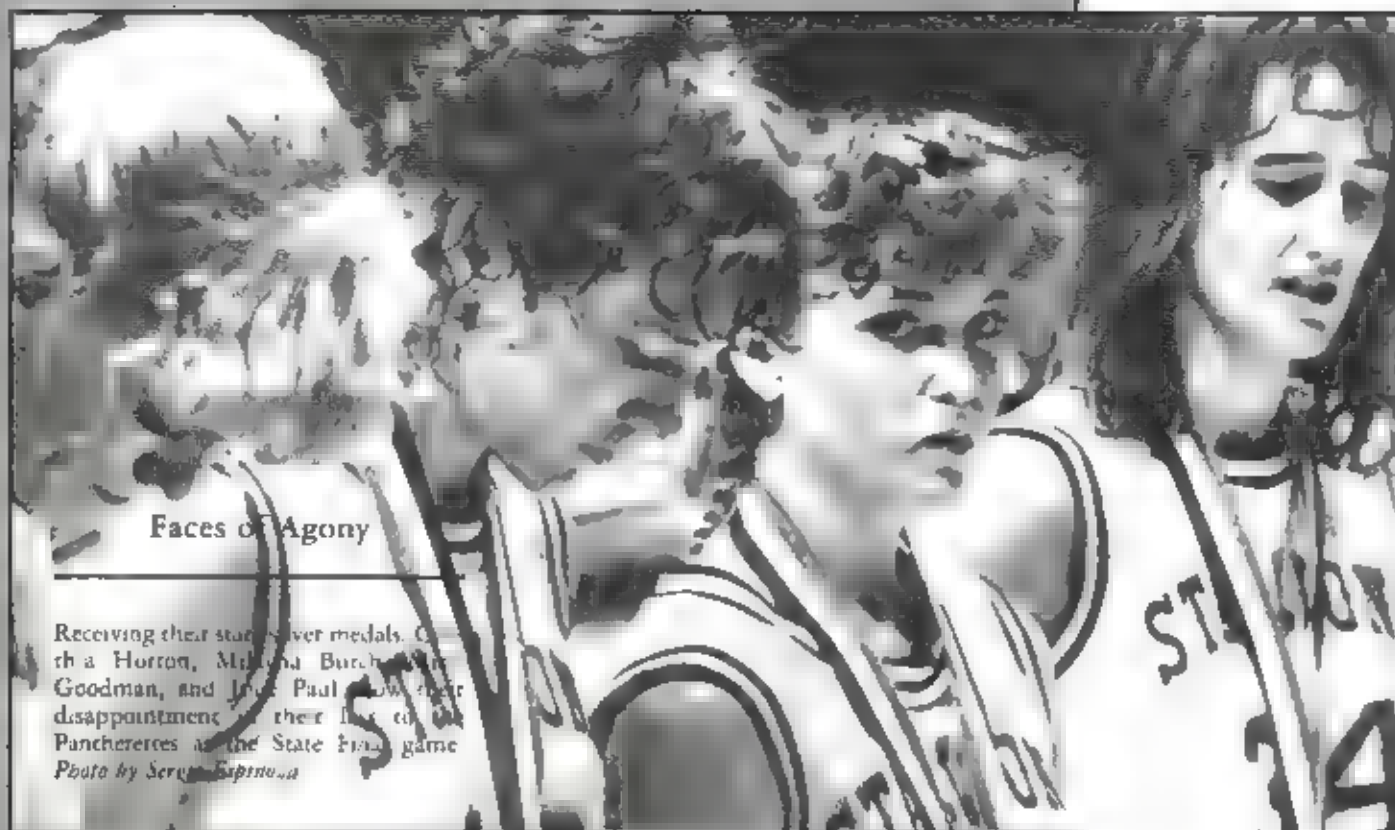
"Mickey's always done us right," Teresa said.

The tradition was started at the beginning of the season. "The first game of the season I wore my Mickey Mouse earrings and we won, and ever since then I've always worn something

with Mickey Mouse on it," Capps said.

Perhaps it was the Fantasia magic of Mickey Mouse that led the Stallions to a 36-1 season.





### Faces of Agony

Receiving their state silver medals. Cynthia Horton, Milena Burch, and Julie Paul show their disappointment in their loss to the Pantherettes in the State final game. Photo by Sergio Espinoza.

## POINTS LEFT OUT

Diaph Lynch All-Tournament Team  
Teresa McMillan  
Cynthia Horton  
Arlington Classic All-Tournament Team  
Teresa McMillan  
Cynthia Horton  
SWAAD All-Tournament Team  
Teresa McMillan  
Cynthia Horton  
Miss Goodman  
All-District 1st Team  
Teresa McMillan  
Cynthia Horton  
All-District 3rd Team  
Julie Paul  
All-Regional 1st Team  
Teresa McMillan  
Cynthia Horton  
All-Regional 2nd Team  
Miss Goodman  
All-State Tournament Team  
Teresa McMillan  
Cynthia Horton  
All-State 1st Team  
Teresa McMillan  
Cynthia Horton  
All-State 3rd Team  
Miss Goodman  
9-5A Player of the Year  
Cynthia Horton  
5A Coach of the Year  
Danna Capps  
Player of the Year

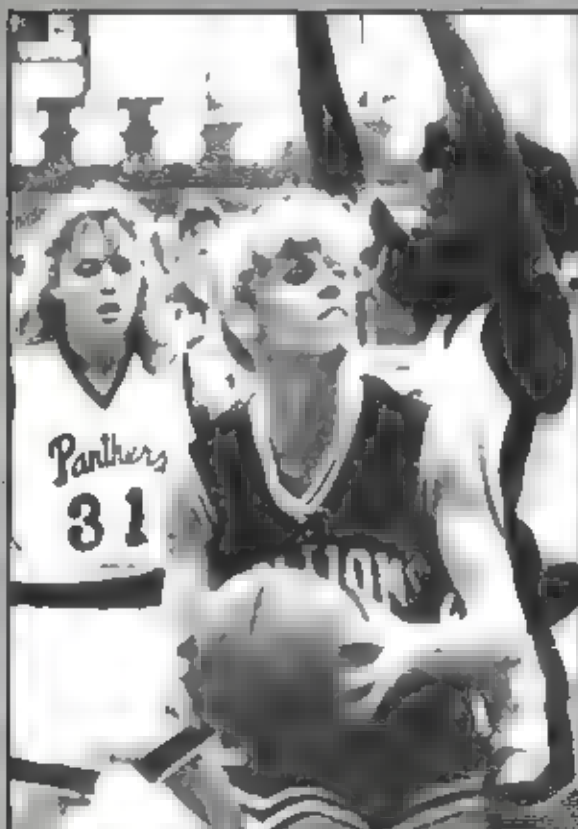


### Jump High

Jumping high to score, Julie Paul shoots a lay up during a district game with Greenville. Julie was the only junior starter and was named to the Third Team All-District. Photo by Sergio Espinoza.

### Posting Up Strong

Posting up against a Plano East defender Cynthia Horton reads her defense to make an easy score under the goal. The area play-off was an important win for the Stallions because the Pantherettes kept them from advancing the year before. Photo by Sergio Espinoza.



"We were self-motivated and had a goal of going to State. We worked hard and we reached our goal," Teresa McMillan said. Driving against Duncanville's Cinieta Henderson, Teresa looks to score. Photo by Sergio Espinoza.







## ...Shooting Spree

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he idea of the pink cards motivated the team as they

defeated Plano East

Defeating the Longview Lobos at the Regional II Tournament proved to be a challenge for the Stallions. Winning in overtime the Stallions came out on top with a score of 50-47.

With the NMHS student body acting as escort for the girls to their chartered bus, the Stallions were on

their way to making their dream come true

"The support of the student body was great," said forward Milayna Burch, "It gave us a feeling of school spirit and

made us want to win the State Title for the school."

Battling in an intense match-up with 5:28 left in the second period, the Duncanville Pantherettes overpowered the Stallions.

With the aid of 6'4" Cinetra Henderson, the Duncanville Pantherettes crossed in 60 points — 15 over the Stallion allotment of any other team — Duncanville shot 70 percent and NM only 30 percent.

"We didn't want to settle for second best," said Burch, "To lose to DHS — whom we beat

twice before — was hard because we felt we were the better team"

However, as Julie Paul said, '36-1. You can't get much better than that

### WORD OF MOUTH

*"The leadership of the Seniors was one of the reasons for our team's success. They were awesome and a great inspiration on and off the court."*

— Katy Thomas



Against The Opponent

Driving against her Duncanville opponent, Cinetra Henderson, Teresa McMullan looks to the goal to score in the State Championship game at Austin.

Driving Ahead

Driving the ball down the court against a Duncanville defender in the State final game Cynthia Horton looks toward the goal to score. Cynthia was named Outstanding Tournament Player in each tournament the Stallions participated in. Photo by Sergio Espinoza





## Keeping It Low

Screaming out encouragement to the starters, Coach Warren Souther directs the team during a Mesquite game. JV won the game by a score of 56-17, and swept the district 12-0. Photo by Ron Taylor

## On the Ball

Pulling in a rebound, Susan McGinnis (40) positions herself for a second shot. Opening the gap for Susan, Stephanie Kulig and Carol Ardanowski block out the South Garland defense. Photo by Ron Taylor



# Outstanding

## In His Field

Sports have always been a major part of Coach Warren Souther's life. "With my family being athletic and my being raised in a basketball gym in the winters and on a baseball diamond in the summers, this seemed to set the tone for my life," Coach Souther said.

Playing basketball and baseball in high school, Coach Souther likes the two sports today. His love for the sports persuaded him to pursue a career relating to them. Receiving his Associate of Science Degree from South Plains College, Coach Souther went on to receive his Bachelor of Science in Physical Education at Texas Tech University.

Among all these things of great importance, the most important in Coach Souther's life is his religious life. This influence is shown in the tradition of the team saying a prayer before each game.

"Saying a prayer before each game helped us in feeling confident and assured of our playing," Julie Burns said.

Coach Souther's positive influence on his team

was evident. Carol Ardanowski said, "Coach Souther was a real inspiration. He not only cared about us as players but he cared for us off the court as well."

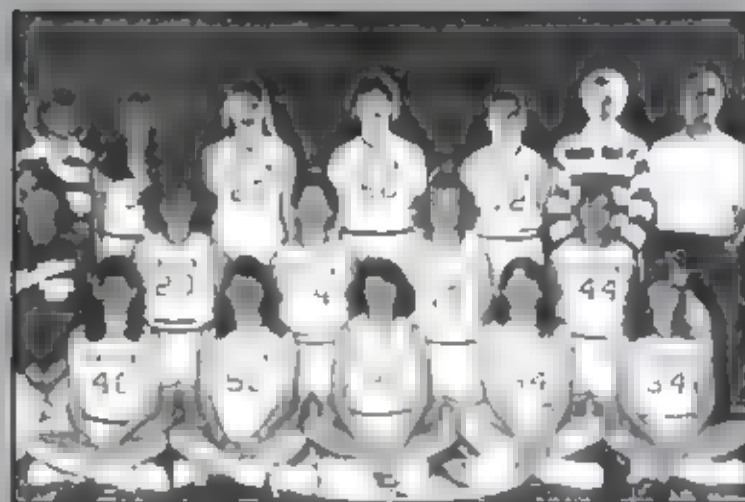
The players responded by earning the District Title.



"Most of our games we took too lightly, but when we did play up to our potential we were awesome and could not be stopped." Susan McGinnis going for another shot after catching the rebound. Photo by Ron Taylor.

## POINTS LEFT OUT

District 12-0	NM
Greenville	32 40
Mesquite	17 56
Garland	25 35
Lakeview	30 32
H. Garland	30 40
S. Garland	23 35
Greenville	26 34
Mesquite	16 48
Garland	20 44
Lakeview	33 43
H. Garland	27 49
S. Garland	26 32
Season 18-6	



J.V. Front Row: Susan McGinnis, Carol Ardanowski, Stephanie Kulig, Shannon Kriska, Jenny Jones Second Row: Barbara Cochran, Amie Fox, Amy Munroe, Kim Guas, Stephanie Bell Third Row: Becky McGuire, Lisa Crittenden, Julie Burns, Tammi Parks, Niki Rodgers, Karen McGinnis, Coach Warren Souther

## WORD OF MOUTH

"As the first of the season nothing really worked until we began to work together. That is how we went undefeated in district."



— Amie Fox

# I Keeping Ones Goals N FOCUS

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he flag that marked the end of the first hole of the District Tournament at Firewheel in Garland stood flapping nearly completely horizontal as junior Justin Trails began district play for the N M. team. Justin's first drive was caught by the strong winds that plagued both days of the 18 hole district games.

Inconsistency," said Justin, "I could never hit a point when I was playing average. I either shot really well or really bad. I would have been a lot more happy with a couple of average games."

Justin wasn't the only member of the team to be bothered

by the high winds. "District was a rough Tournament," said the teams only senior John Todd who turned in a 90 for the second day of play. "A 90 is

not that great of a score, but because of the wind all of the scores were considering."

Daniel Foos, one of the teams top shooters with an average game of 85 said that one of the year's best tournaments was at Los Rios during the fall season.

The Rios tournament had really great playing conditions, said Daniel. "There was also not any pressure on us to perform."

Chuck Rodgers seems to think pressure is a very big determining factor. It is important to be able to picture each shot and pressure just seems to blur the vision. Otherwise there is no telling where the ball will go. It could go anywhere.

## WORD OF MOUTH

"I always try to do my best. I take golf seriously and never miss practice or a tournament."

— John Todd



Driving Hard

Teeing off into a high wind, Daniel Foos begins the third hole during the district tournament. Daniel maintained an average game of 85 in the six tournaments he competed in. Photo by John Forstero.

## Caught In a Trap

After teeing off into a sandpit, senior John Todd drives the ball about 20 yards outside the green during competition in the District Tournament. The tournament took place under very windy conditions at Firewheel in Garland. Photo by John Forstero.





## Playing on the Edge

Placing the ball next to the cup, junior Justin Traus attempts his putt on the first hole of the Firewheel tournament. Just a ended up with a score of 28 for the 18 hole district tournament. Photo by John Fornero

## Coaches Corner

Watching the tournament's events Coach Charlie Tabor relaxes in the club house and allows his athletes to perform what they have learned. Photo by John Fornero



# Outstanding On the Green

## Thompson Shows He Is Just Above Par

You may never see his name flashing in lights across the scoreboard at Memorial Stadium, but to the other five members of the North Mesquite golf team, Chris Thompson is a leader. "I don't know if you would call me a leader," said Junior Chris Thompson. "I think they might learn from me, but I also learn from them. We help each other play up to their own full potential."

Chris who started playing golf when he was 10 was named 3rd medalist at the Mesquite Tournament and was 2nd medalist at the South Garland Tournament at Keaton Park. "My dad got me started," said Chris. "I looked up to him and I wanted to be like he was. Since he played golf, I wanted to play also."

What does NM's top notch player still have left that he wants to accomplish? "I want to qualify for the U.S. junior Amateur Championship in Connecticut," said Chris. "I also would

like to finish well in the Texas-Oklahoma Tournament. But my main goal," concludes Chris, "is for the team to finish first or second next year in district and to advance to Regionals." Photo by John Fornero.



"Everytime I hit the ball, I try to correct any mistakes I made before." Chris Thompson places the ball on the green on the fourth hole of the district tournament. Chris was named 3rd medalist at the Mesquite tournament 2nd medalist at the S. Garland tournament.

## POINTS LEFT OUT

### Breaking Away

Making the putt, Chris Thompson plays the natural incline of the green on the third hole of the District tournament at Firewheel in Garland. Chris played slightly higher than his average game of 75 at the tournament because of high winds. Photo by John Fornero



Chris Thompson  
3rd Medalist at Mesquite  
Tournament  
2nd Medalist at S. Garland  
Tournament

Tournament	
S. Garland	15th
Mesquite	3rd
Pine	4th
Rockwall	15th
Garland	10th
District	7th



Varsity (Row 1) Daniel Foss, Chris Thompson, John Todd (Row 2) Justin Traus, Chuck Rodgers

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*If it's going  
to be close*

## LIDE



It was a proud day for Coach John Hicks and his bat-swinging, ball-stopping crew Varsity baseball opened the season with a 15-7 victory over the Bryan Adams Cougars. The team could tell that extra laps and practice swings were finally paying off. But little could they tell just how big this paycheck would be

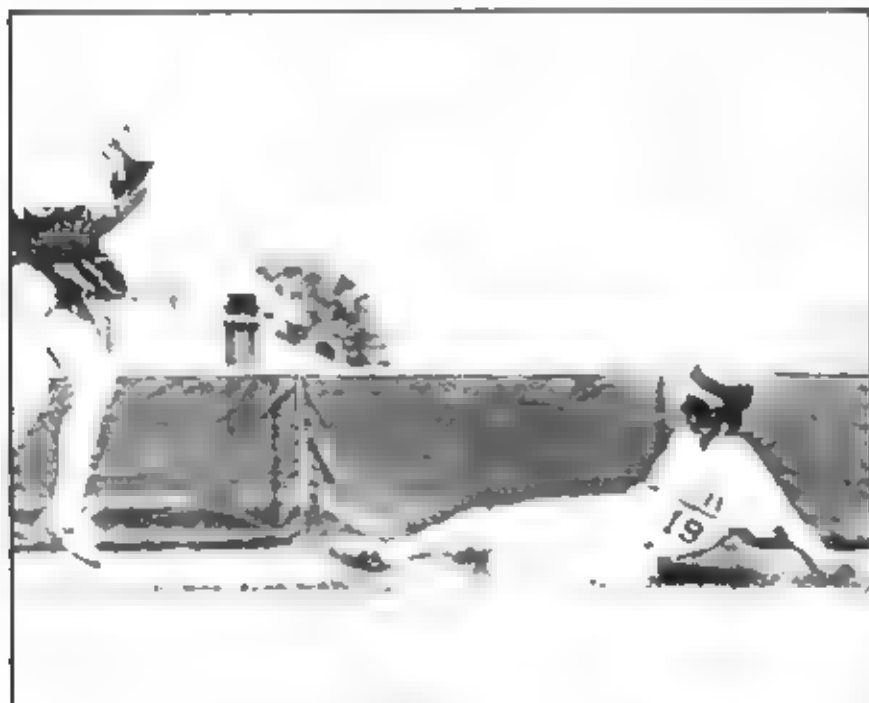
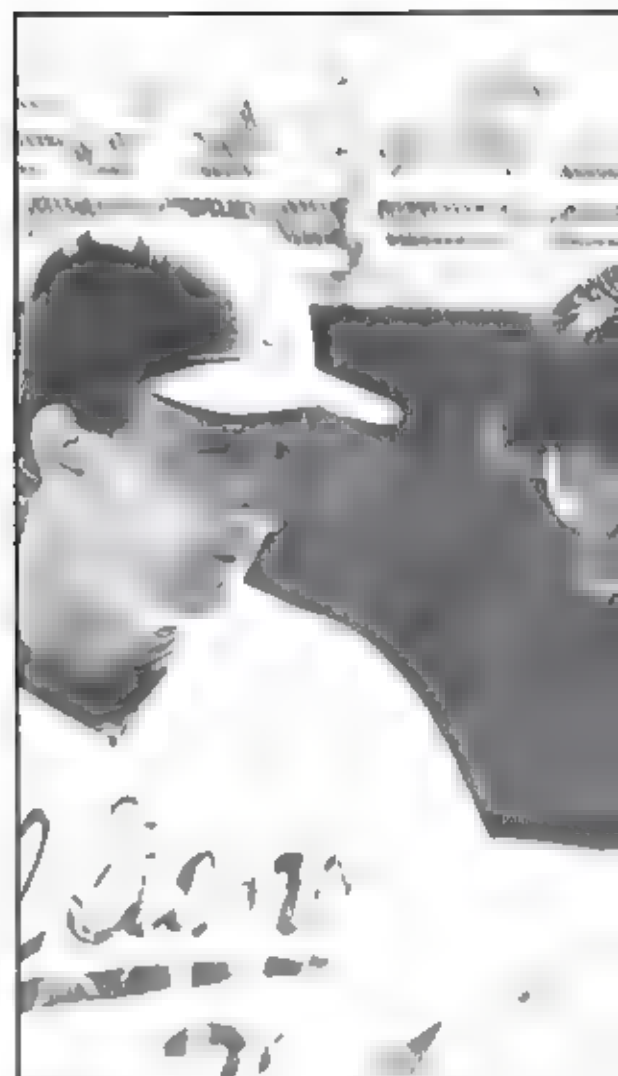
"The season was very productive," Coach Hicks said about his Stallions who finished the season with a 16-11 record and who tied for the district lead with Mesquite and North Garland "Every player, starters and non-starters, found a way to produce for the team."

Production was definitely not in short supply for this Stallion team. Together they drove in 175 runs in 883 appearances at

the plate. Defensively they held their opponents to 60 runs less than that. It took a three team playoff to eliminate the Stallions in district.

### Getting It Straight

Grabbing a quick chat, Coach John Hicks (20) talks to Senior Shannon Sharp (7) before he steps up to bat. Shannon led the team in extra bases with 15 doubles for the year.



### Down And Dirty

Digging into the dirt, Kelly Clements (19) slides into second during the South Garland game. Kelly led the team in hitting with a batting average of .500. Photo by John Holt.

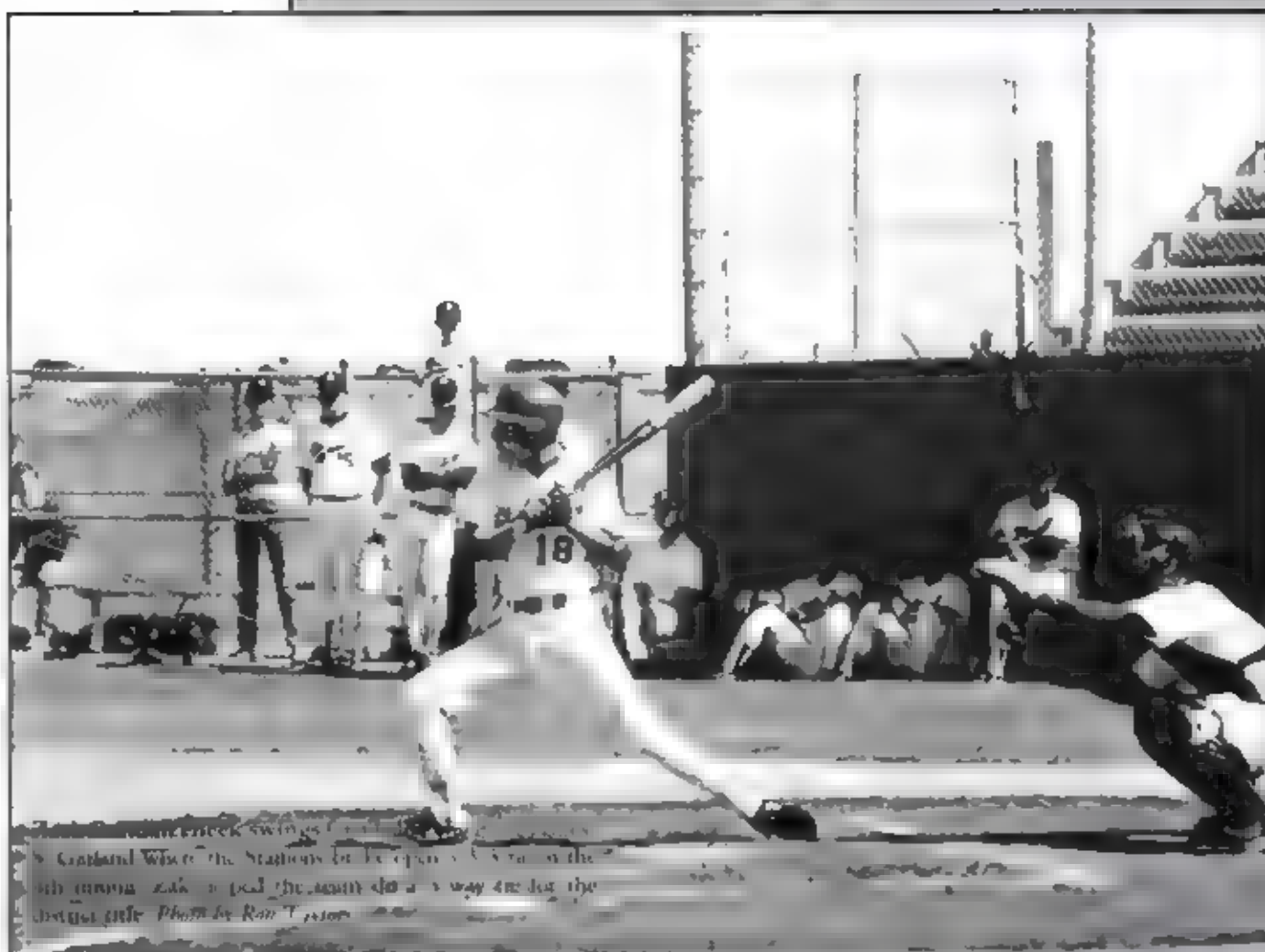
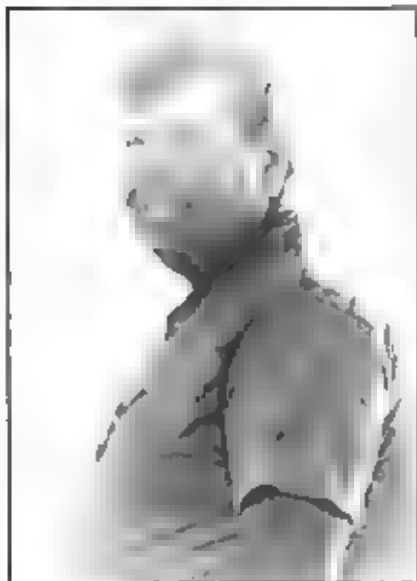
### Grabbing A Breather

Waiting for a chance to go in, Chris Smith (2) watches as Kelly Clements steps up to bat. Chris played shortstop and led the team in assists. Photo by John Holt.



## Looking Strong

Looking into the plate, Coach Mike Morris watches as a JV player steps up to bat. The JV team ended the season with a 15-7-1 record.



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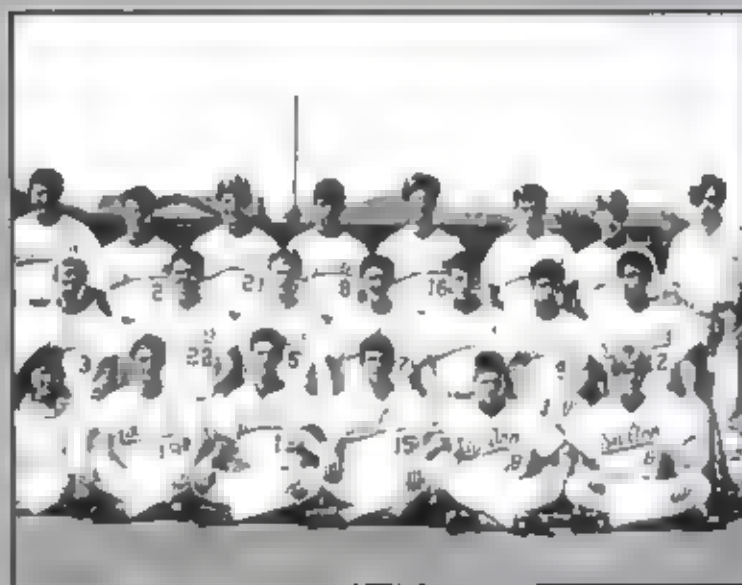


*"Baseball gave me a chance to be involved in something I enjoy. It helped me believe in who I am." John Weaver played right field and finished the season with a .324 batting average. Photo by John Holt.*

## POINTS LEFT OUT

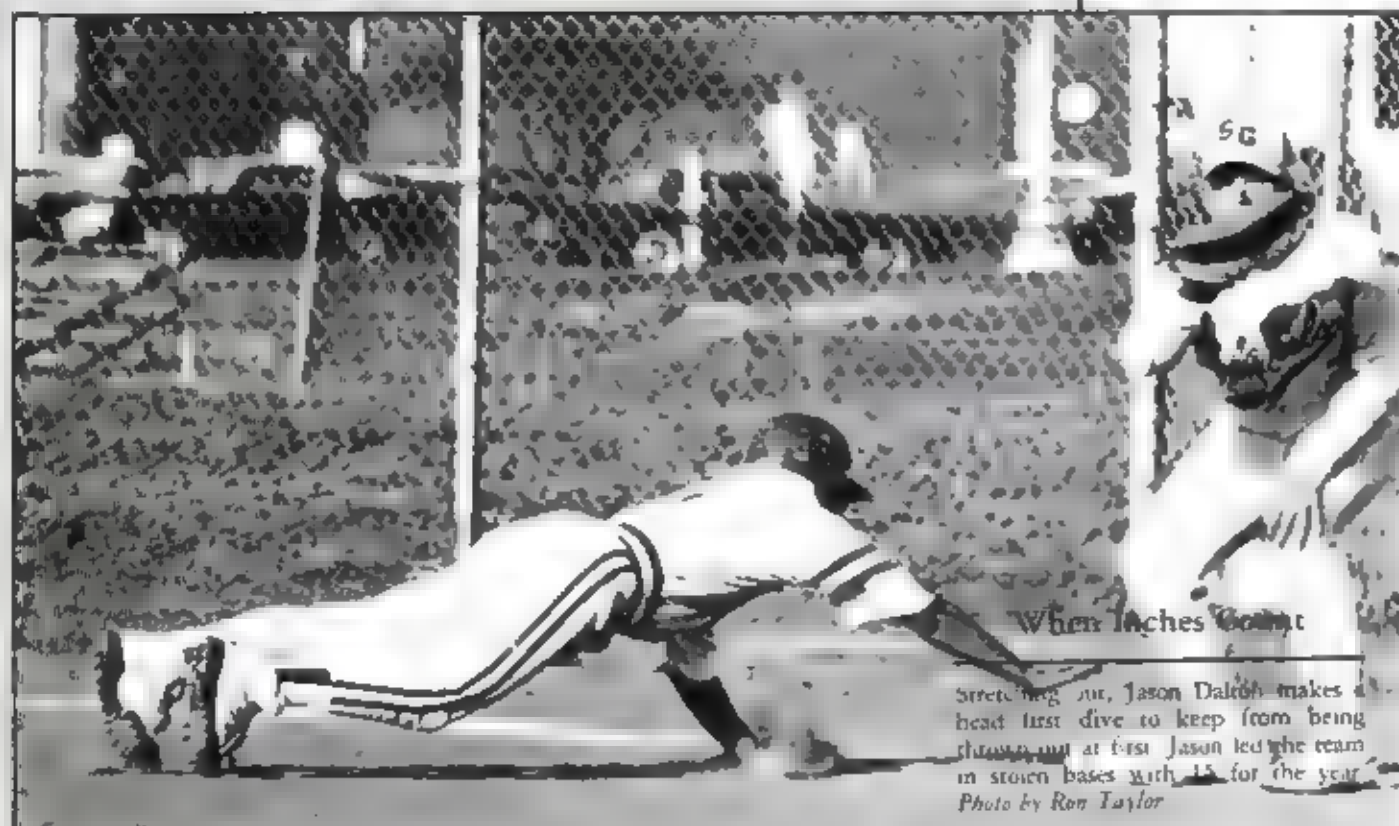
Varsity (16-11)

	NM
Dryden Adams	7 15
Hickory	0 10
Newman Smith	4 3
Samuel	2 4
Pharo	8 2
A. L. Turner	4 3
Proctor	9 8
Sunset	6 22
Highland Park	6 0
Skyline	2 10
R. L. Turner	6 9
R. L. Turner	6 2
Lakeview	5 6
Greenville	0 12
Highland Park	0 4
Garland	1 0
South Garland	3 7
North Garland	4 3
Mesquite	1 0
Lakeview	3 5
Greenville	0 1
Highland Park	2 9
Garland	4 7
South Garland	12 6
North Garland	2 9
Mesquite	5 4
Mesquite	7 4



Varsity (Row 1) Angie Breyer, Trainer, Kevin Clements, Ronnie Henderson, Steve Dennis, Zach Randle, Brian Henson (Row 2, Evan Bowery, Brian Johnson, Tony Lancaster, Shannon Sharp, Tommy Simpson, John Weaver, Bryan Heaps (Row 3) Coach John Hicks, Chris Smith, Scott Pittman, James Devay, Jeff Stone, Jason Dalton, Shawn Ruff, John Hor, Trainer





**When Inches Count**

Stretching out, Jason Dalton makes a head first dive to keep from being thrown out at first. Jason led the team in stolen bases with 15 for the year.  
Photo by Ron Taylor

## POINTS LEFT OUT

### Junior Varsity (5-5-1)

North Garland	W
Mesquite	W
Highland Park	W
Samuell	W
South Garland	W
North Garland	L
Mesquite	L
Highland Park	L
Duncanville	L
Pearce	L
Lakeview	T



Junior Varsity (Row 1: David Barnett, Donnie Barnett, Brent Williams, Kevin Joss, Chris Johnson, Steve Blackwell (Row 2) Danny Siodawick, Andy Jackson, Jason Andrews, Steve Gray, Randy Jeffreys, Pete Vasquez, Brian Benjamin (Row 3) Bobby Koranick, Chris Garcia, Roland Weaver, Jason White, Ramsey Weaver, Gabe Rodriguez, Tim Garella



Crossing the Plate, James Devoy scores one of the seven runs it took to beat S. Garland. James muddled himself sliding 3rd earlier. Photo by Ron Taylor

*"It hurt to come so close and then not to advance. I'm glad we just got the breaks we did."*  
Steve Dennis pitched a record of 3-2 in district. Photo by John Holt.



## ... In Focus

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e had to learn how to play together because there was a va-

nety of playing experience on the team," said junior Jason Dalton who played second base and led the team in stolen bases.

"Jason was a solid infielder and has excellent running skills," Coach Hicks said.

Joining Jason in the infield was first baseman Shannon Sharp who led the team in extra bases with 13

doubles, short stop Chris Smith who had 26 put outs and 87 assists for the year, and third baseman Ronnie Henderson who ended the year with a .333

batting average.

"Ronnie really came through for us," said Kelly Clements. "He became our 'clutch hitter'."

Kelly who caught and led the team in hitting with a .500 average. Other team leaders

were center-fielder Jeff Stone, right fielder John Weaver and left fielder Zach Randall who also led the team in pitching with a 5-1 district record.

"It was very disappointing playing so well and then not even getting to go on in the playoffs," said

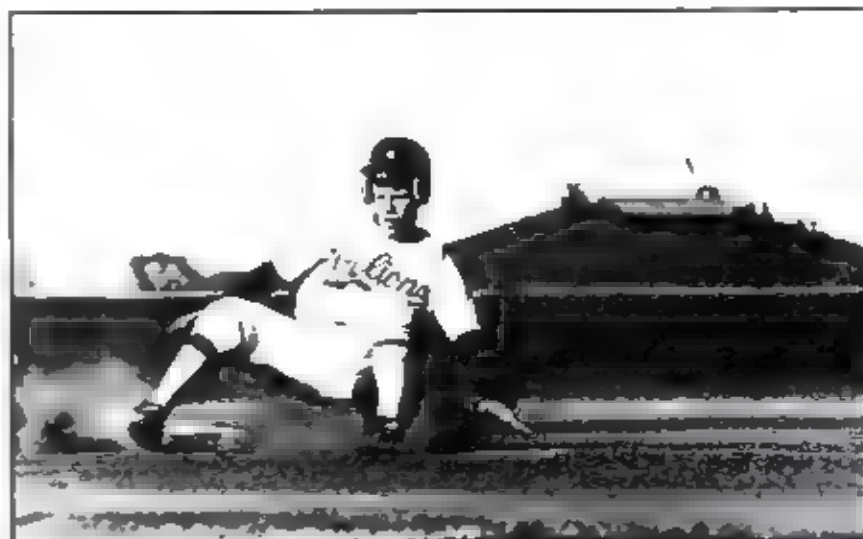
Zach about Mesquite and North Garland's advancement from the three way tie. "I guess sometimes that's just the way things turn out."

### WORD OF MOUTH

*'Base ball gave me a chance to be involved in some*



*thing I enjoy. It helped me believe in who I am.' John Weaver said. He played right field and finished the season with a .324 batting average.*



### Back On The Bag

Sliding past third, Shawn Ruff slips during the South Garland game. The Stations beat South Garland 12-8. Photo by John Holt.

# Into the ACTIVITIES

## Out of the Classroom

From the production of *Little Shop of Horrors* to a Pacesetter performance at Arlington Stadium, on April 4 the opening night for the Texas Rangers first victory of the season — we were involved. We learned to cooperate to reach a common goal and set higher standards for ourselves. We wanted more.

Big Blue marched its way through competition with flying colors, while the U.I.L. One Act Play production of *Splendor in the Grass* earned best play in zone. Our teams were cheered to victory by cheerleading squads, the mascot, and Stallion battalion. We were in on the action from football at Texas Stadium to basketball in Austin.

Organizations challenged our principles through "Just Say No" and F.C.A. — Fellowship of Christian Athletes. We grew and developed emotionally into young adults and readied ourselves through commitment, long hours after school, and working together for the realities that lay ahead for us at college, our jobs, and the modern outside world.



After receiving her NHS certificate, D'Juan Hamilton offers thanks to Mrs. Helen Griffin. The NHS induction ceremony was held October 27 in the NM auditorium.

As the fans cheer in the stands, Frank D'Amore sounds the siren to celebrate the Stallions impending victory. The Stallion Battalion helped the cheerleaders raise spirit inside as well as outside the school. Photo by John Wastland

"Being involved prepares you for life after graduation by making you a more responsible person."

— Julie Fox, 10



Julie Fox





# Fair Shake

Twenty-eight hundred pounds of food may add up to a large sum of money, but it is worth much more when giving to families who need it.

Thanksgiving was bright for some Mesquite families due to the canned food drive sponsored by the Student Council and National Honor Society, November 16-20.

A pizza party was the reward for the class that packed in the most food. "The canned food drive was a great success," NHS president Travis said. Student council member Julie Paul agreed, "Things like this

help the community and build school spirit.

School enthusiasm and community projects were activated by the Student Council and NHS. "Not only did NHS help sponsor the canned food drive, but we cleaned the library, cleaned the Florence recreation center, and tutored students every Monday," Travis Streen said.

It's a nice impact on the community," NHS member Athena Aguilar said. "We can help people out in school by sharing our knowledge with them."

Girls received carnations and guys received boutonnieres at the

NHS induction October 27, where 101 students were inducted.

"I'm proud to be a new member of NHS, because it is interesting, enlightening, and I enjoy working with other students," Paula Pease said.

In a spirit-raising project the Student Council sold balloons in the cafeteria to see which grade bought the most balloons. "This provided a way for people who aren't normally real active to take part," Student Council president Kristin Salas said. Students of all grades took part, but the seniors won.

Another way that students took

part in spirit and community activities was the annual Blood Drive, decorating the school Christmas tree, and purchasing North Mesquite High School sweatshirts.

With all these activities, the Student Council and National Honor Society proved to be a real driving force in the community.

Receiving his congratulatory certificate from NHS sponsor Helen Griffin, Chris Dunaway is inducted in NHS during the October 27 ceremony in the auditorium. Overall, 101 new students claimed membership. Photo by John Woolard.



Arranging Christmas presents around the office Christmas tree, Student Council member Casey Rawls gets an early jump on the Holidays with a candy cane. Casey wore the 1987 10-0 sweatshirt that marked the Stallion football team's second consecutive undefeated season. Photo by John Holt.

From the top, Kyle Rotenberry strings a line of beads in decorating the Student Council Christmas tree placed in the office area each year. The Blood Drive, the balloon-buying contest, the sweatshirt sale, and the canned food drive were among Student Council projects. Photo by John Holt.







# Cultural Explosion

Continuing the tradition of club rivalry, the French and Spanish clubs planned for their annual battle to be fought on the volleyball court of Motley Elementary.

"I love the games against the Spanish Club. I just wish we would have them more often," French Club member Heather Pushauch said.

French Club went on to shut out the Spanish Club 2 games to 1.

There are many factors that go into the decision of choosing the right foreign language, one of which is the number of kinds of activities the club has to offer.

"Participating in activities is not only entertaining, but it also helps us to better understand the culture," Angela Wilson said.

Both clubs were really "big on going to foreign movies, with the French Club seeing films like "Jean de Florette,"

"Manon," and "Au Revoir les Enfants," while the Spanish Club viewed "Man of La Mancha" and "Sheperds of the City."

Students that chose to take Spanish did so for more practical purposes.

"I chose Spanish as my foreign language because I felt that Spanish would be used the

most," Melissa Hall said while French students chose the "beautiful and romantic" side of foreign intrigue.

French appealed to me because it seemed like a more exotic and beautiful language than the others," Dawn Leonard said.

Either way, the foreign language classes all reached the same goal of teaching the students different cultures and traditions.

"I now see the world as places of history and culture that are inherently different than our own," Carter Carhey said.

With French teacher Linda Attaway monitoring the status of the game, Jason prepares to battle the Spanish. Other members of the French Club brought refreshments to the players. *Photo by John Farners*

Thinking back on the play, Stacy Hyatt and Errol Haynes read the program to "Man of La Mancha." The Spanish Club saw the Comedy at North Park Mall in October.



Two-stepping after dinner, Alex Pina accompanies Kim Frank on the dance floor of the Trasklust. Semi-casual attire was recommended since ties were terminated at the front door. *Photo by John Woolard*

Fighting for a Spanish conquest, Salvador Ruiz serves to the French. The game was held from 2:00 to 4:00 Sunday, April 17th. *Photo by John Farners*



Playing on the slide at Trasklust, Leslie Hackley, Lisa Foster and Errol Haynes pass the time while waiting for their meal. The Spanish Club went to the Trasklust Sunday, May 29th for some end of the year food and fun. *Photo by John Woolard*





**Spanish Club** — Front Row: Alex Martin, Leslie Harker, Mary Hays, Errol Haynes, Kara Korman, Polly Thimberly, and Row: Holly Cases, Yuh Liza, in, Tees Hernandez, Terese Carwell, Ramona Manueta, Ha Hung, Cynthia Deanda, Mrs. Carlos Benavides, Espinosa, Taia Row, Simon, Aileen, Lisa Foster, Angela McIntyre, Julie Buena, Norma Kourouch, Casey Rawls, Yvonne Conway, Christi V. Arch, Row: b Row, Chandra Diaz, Steve Porey, Lena Hahn, Rayner Daglio, Stephanie Nguyen, Shirley Chetani, Row: Quang Nguyen, Lu, Mar, or, Robert Puakatch, and Duke, Six, Row, Mahon Barakat, Brian Brown, John Ren, ner, Jesse Cawell, John Huggate, Lulu Cawell, Wan, Kittle



**French Club** — Front Row: Heather Swindell, Hoda Naaman, Monna Calabro, Samantha Damsin, Lisa Singer, Shara Newberry, Ashia Nassam, Linda Arakawa, and Row: Tuan Hung, Terry True, Aung, Inge, Hobson, Betsy Welk, Christa Terry, Joe Lee, Billy Rogers, Doris Kemp, Ronnie Gustafson, Eddie Calvert, Dana Condit, Row: Genette Schott, Tina Madson, Bryce Boring, Terry Lee, Kim Rogers, Richard Hought, Teresa Hought, Row: Jon, Lumpkin, Wai Moran, John Lister, Jason Carney, Carter Cacher



**French Club** — Front Row: Carol Berg, Tina Cau, Dennis Terry, Amy Merriman, Andra King, Ke Nguyen, Jennifer Pennington, Beth Aquanocka, So, and Row: Lynn Krow, Holly Kithridge, Monica Tolat, Melanie Wendall, Tina Row, Patricia Lutz, Julie Bey, Tammy Jansa, Rhonda Smith, Angela Gregor, Sete Clabree, Row: Kim Moe, Cindy Carr, Eileen Clark, Michelle Bond, Ravi Merck, Danielle Hendon, Kim Fowler, Mary Harworth, Angela Benson, Fifth Row: Jennifer Haskel, Kathy Black, Jennie Walker, Robert Warner, Jennifer Perryman, Roxie McLean, Karen Holmes, Sixth Row: Chris Kirschmeier, Jason Jones, Tobin Daniel, Greg Lagle, Kevin Easley

# Not A Walk

Love in any language is romantic by giving a carnation to that special person, dedicated by working on a newspaper to a respected country, pure by washing someone else's car, and social by having fun with friends in a favorite restaurant.

These activities and others rounded off the year for the Latin and German clubs. "The Latin club is really fun. I get together with people that I don't normally spend time with, giving me a greater variety of friends and activities," Christy Carlisle said.

October hit the Latin club with a splash as members cleaned and sheened 100 neighborhood cars for their carwash. Members raked in about \$300.

Every color of the rainbow flew around the school on February 13 as the Latin club's second project. This included exchanging carnations with friends and sweethearts. "We also threw a Halloween bash, a Christmas dinner, went to a state convention on April 15, and held a banquet in May,"

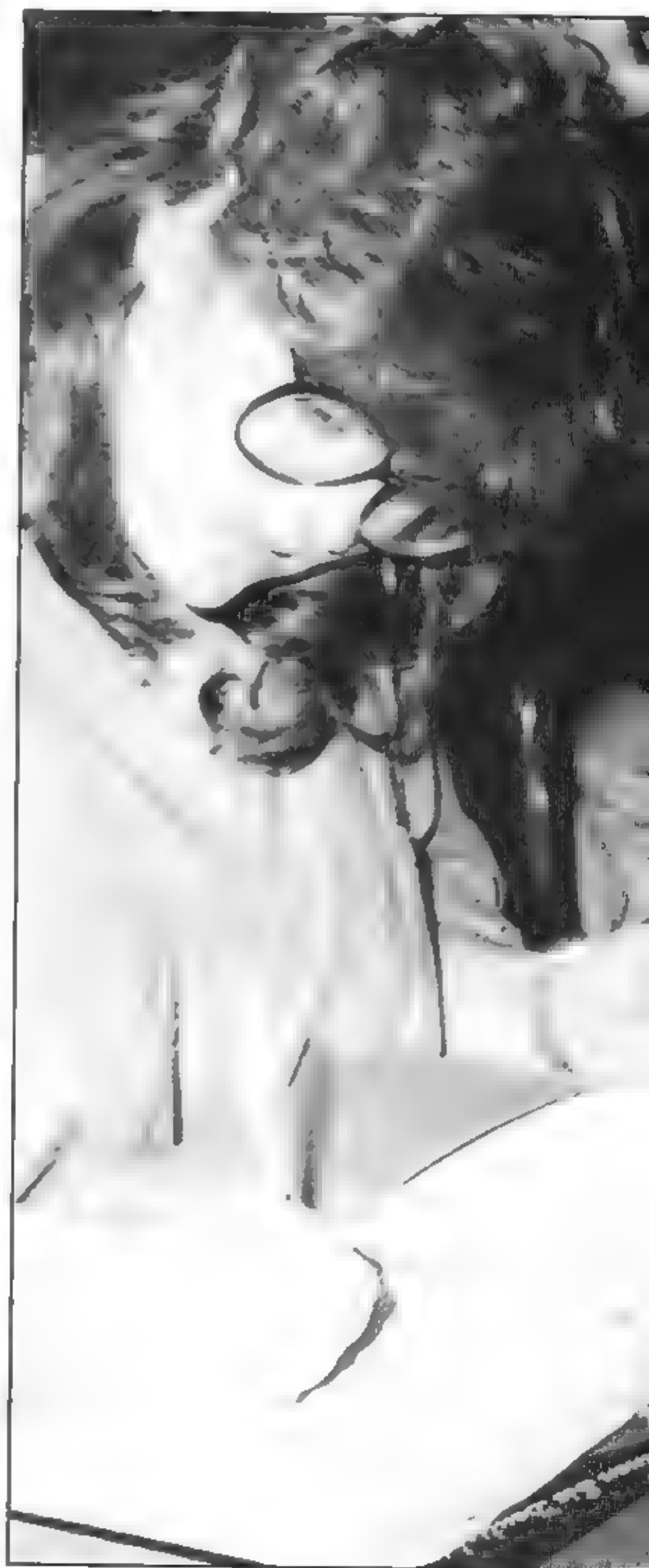
Cynthia Horton said. She regularly attended club functions.

Kuby's was the site of a German club social in November and April. Like the Latin club, they had activities and projects. "Kuby's is like a tiny German shopping center. They have a restaurant where the waiters speak German and wear authentic German clothes. There are also little shops where we bought German candies and magazines," president Shannon Golden said.

Club members also put out a German newspaper. "We do interviews, talk about German trivia, and weather," Shana McLarry said.

Members of the club not only had social activities, but worked on difficult assignments, also. "We learned a great deal in the club because Mr. Ehrig is tough in that he makes work," secretary Nadja Brink said. "We learned culture, history, comparing Germans to us, and that made it a worthwhile club to be in. I really liked being with the other people."

As part of his classwork in German class, Jeremy Napier thumbs through his German dictionary for class. Independent study was part of German 3 and 4 requirements.  
*Photo by John Wealand*







An October Latin club carwash finds Rich and Allen scrubbing a car. Club activities also included a Halloween bash at Katy Thomas's house and a Christmas dinner at Nova Heflin's house.

*Photo by George Thixton*

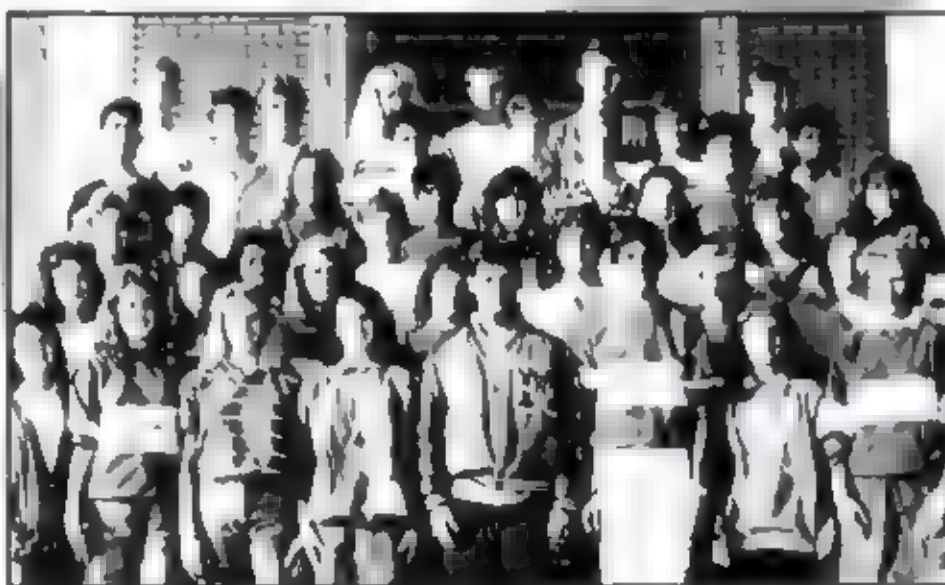
Correcting her papers and filing them in a notebook is Shana McLarry. Shana was one of Richard Ehrig's German 2 students.

*Photo by John Woolard*



**German Club** Front Row: Susan Cowart (President), Jeremy Napier (Vice-President), Nadja Brink (Secretary), Leticia Calderon, Lydia Calderon. Second Row:

Kevyn Siegel, Liora Krus, Maria Mearns, Jeta Austin, Thana Rile, Danni Archard, Lita McKeaven, Michael Cronquist, Chris Kemak, Sean Hamilton.



**Latin Club** Front Row: Glenda White (President), Katy Thomas (Vice-President), Chana Gersens (Secretary), Nora Heflin (Treasurer), David Bowdoin (Assistant), Mike Jock (Historian), Cindy Kilpatrick, Marjorie Tarkenton (Sponsor). Second Row: Eric Houson, Techa Rente, Kerry Davis, Erin Marzinger, Amy Gray, Jana Calhoun, Sher Kirk. Third Row: Kim Lashley, Sarama Bhatt, Wesley

Cunningham, Jennifer Tash, Delia Greer, Kristi Lewis, Traci Rile, Tim Chauvin, Julie Paul, Jacob Baby, Kim Aksh, 4th Row: Mike Lewis, Alan Scates, Matt Peitz, Brad Griston, Kyle Jennings, Christy Carlisle, Chris Huffman, Thomas Chacko, 5th Row: Ryan Page, Jason Lowery, Cynthia Horton, Richard Allen, Ransom Page.



Rubbing until she could see her reflection, Latin club secretary Katy Thomas polishes a car for the October carwash. Other club activities included the area convention in February and the state convention in April, where Glenda White, David Bowdoin, and Michael Jossack were among the winners. *Photo by George Thixton*

# Playing

## NM's favorite girl gets a facelift

After eight years, her time was due. Her old, faded looks had embarrassingly shown at each Friday night performance. She finally sported a complete facelift.

Big Blue received a complete makeover in the middle of the football season, and customized uniforms replaced the traditional 'Q-Tip' fashions of the band's past.

"The new uniforms really sharpened the band's appearance," said drum line member Brad Holt. "We needed a different look, and the new duds did the trick."

Big Blue performed for the thirteen football games and competed in UIL contests throughout the year. On April 8, Honors Band ended their year in UIL by grasping the Sweepstakes trophy.

"We knew that we were capable of winning Sweepstakes," said

drum major Kim Rowe. "We just had to prove it."

Band received the initial focus when the halftime show began, and the enrollment made Big Blue the largest of all the spirit groups.

"Big Blue almost always dwarfed the band of our opponents," said Amy Robinson. "Our size seemed to add a certain power to our appearance that captivated the audience when we marched."

After the football games, Big Blue members would gather at a nearby hotspot to celebrate. "It was great to go to J.T. McCord's and be with my friends without having to march with them," Christie Hobbs said.

Preparing to march out for the halftime performance, Chad Hargrave readies his stick for the initial beats. Drum Line instruments ranged from the xylophone to the bass drum.

GETTING UP WITH THE CHICKENS WAS A COMMON PRACTICE FOR BIG BLUE," SAID DRUM MAJOR AMY BURGESS. "REHEARSALS BEGAN AT 7:00 AM, BUT DRUM MAJORS WERE REQUIRED TO GET THERE EARLY FOR LAST-MINUTE INSTRUCTION ON THE MARCHING PRACTICE."

After an hour of whistle-blowing, yelling, and griping at certain sections, rehearsal was terminated with a final "GO BIG BLUE!"

Everyone then got ready for school, which was a very hectic 15 or 20 minutes. Almost every girl in band had to rake rollers out of their hair and change clothes. The restroom got crowded... and clogged (with hairspray and perfume).

"The quest to look beautiful for first period was usually a waste of time. It was quite characteristic of a band girl to have uncured hair, and it was characteristic of a band guy to

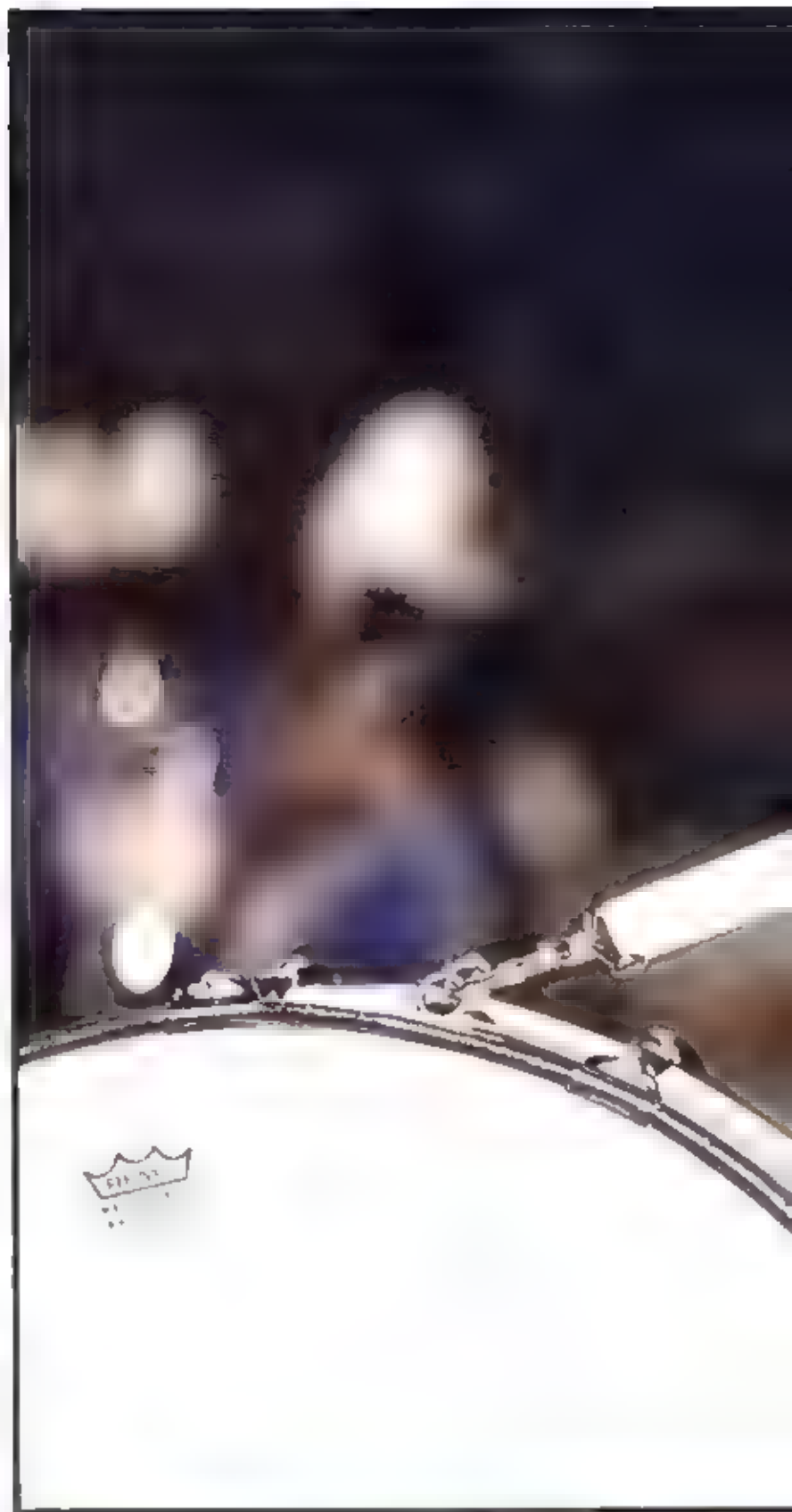
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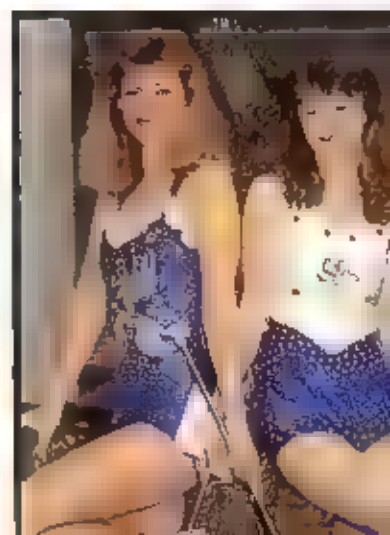
Thursday practices were the most grueling. Clad in our favorite T-shirt — usually sporting Mr. Potato Head or George of the Jungle — we trudged through an extra hour-and-a-half to get ready for Friday night's game.

Sometimes it felt like it's all for nothing, but I realized the appreciation when the announcer yelled, "The pride of North Mesquite... BIG BLUE!"

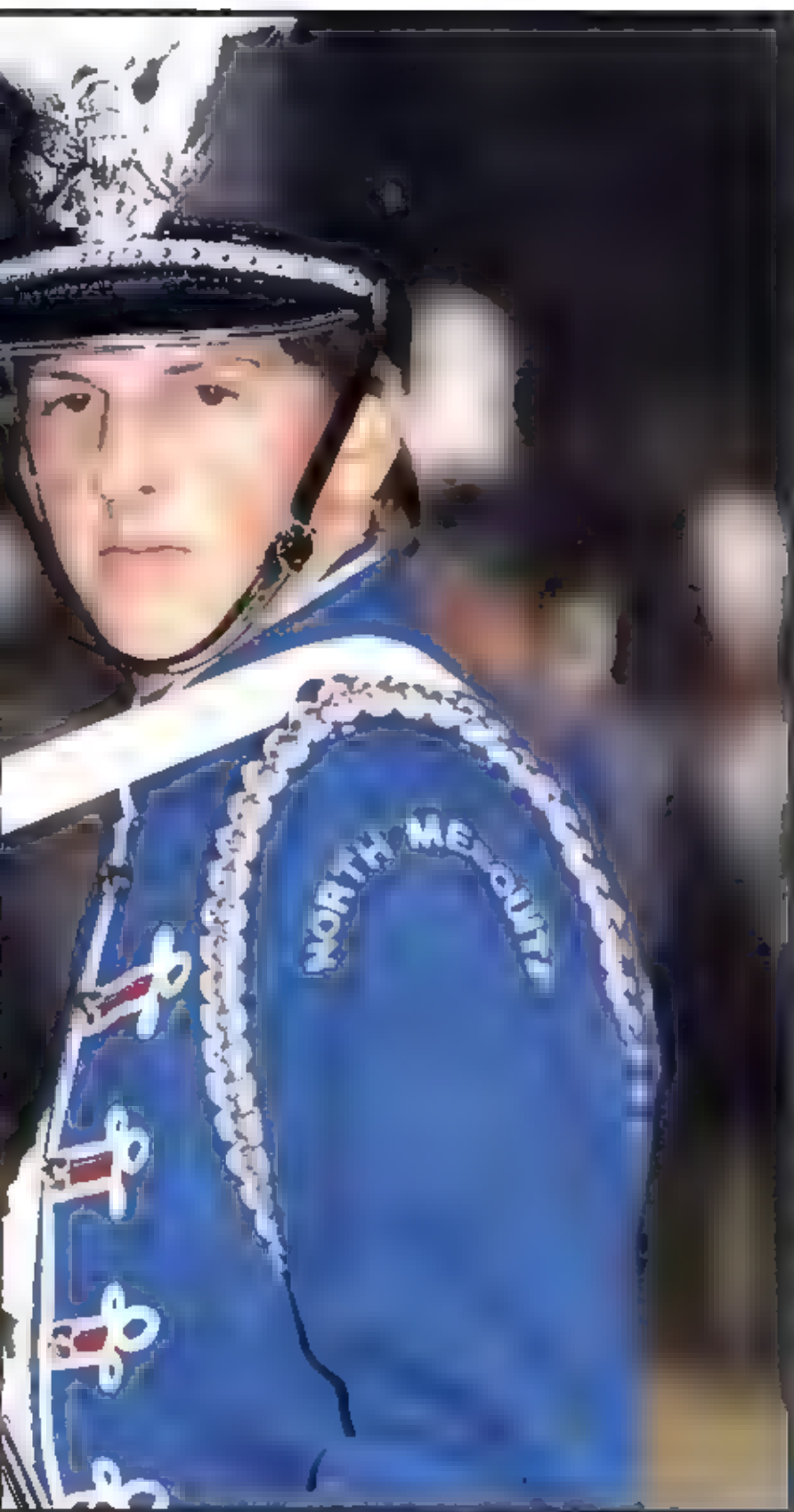


Rounding out a performance, Big Blue forms a spiral while the flag corps surrounds them. The band crafted about 50 formations throughout the football season.

Twirlers — Tahmmy Roden, Lisa Ross







**Drum Majors** — Franco Diaz Kim Rowe Amy Burgess



**Drum Line** - *First Row* Kim Rodriguez Bryan Russ, Devin Tenney, Steve Tucker, Richard Pennington, Leanne Knowles *Second Row* Brad Hurr, Ronnie Sivick, John Renner, Ben Northrup, Chad Hartgrave, Mark Tillery, Dale Scoggins *Third Row* Priscilla Amorgo, Tina Cao, James Bobo, Kirk Kephart, Mark Cavell, Ray Moore, Cam Cull, Jamie Harris, Christie Sparrow



**Drum Majors** — Melanie Strawn, Kim Rowe, D'Juan Hamilton, Arthur Koenig



**Flag Corps** — *First Row* Megan Vance, Pam McKay, Stacy Johnson, Shawna Workman, Kim Lawrence, *Second Row* Pam Williams, Heather Hamrick, Julie Fox, Michelle Mays, *Third Row* Melanie Woodall, Melanie Strawn, D'Juan Hamilton



# Playing

## Extended season leaves group hanging on a thread

Regardless of what time of the day or what day of the week it was, Big Blue members could always be found doing SOMETHING related to band. Monday it was up at the crack of dawn for the morning's marching, and Thursday meant an extra hour-and-a-half of practice after school to get ready for the Friday night game. From marching to playing to learning the music (no matter what it was), band members were always involved SOMEHOW.

**Monday, 5:00-6:00AM** — The typical band member was taking aim at his alarm clock with any of several weapons (tissue boxes, bedside lights, etc.). **7:00AM** — Although most of them were unaware that they were doing it, Big Blue members assembled for the morning workout and began the marching. **8:00AM** — Still asleep, members trudged to the bathrooms to begin the dangerous ritual of preparing for the rest of the day. **8:25AM** — Finally showing signs of life, band members made their way to their classes, only to fall asleep first period.

The majority of the week went similarly, but then

**Thursday, 5:00-6:00AM** — The band member awoke with only two thoughts in his head: 1) why did he ever sign up for the band, and 2) what excuse could he make up to get out of the extra hour-and-a-half of practice that would be tacked on that day to prepare for the Friday game.

**Friday, 6:00-7:00PM** — Piece by piece, Big Blue formed in the stadium for the performance. Members arrived, assembled their instruments, and warmed up.

**8:30PM** — SHOWTIME!! The band made their way to the sidelines as the second quarter of the game wound down to a close, and on the announcer's cue ("And now, the Pride of North Mesquite

BIG BLUE!"), the show began. **10:00PM** — The job was done, the Stallions had won, they had made it through their week full of strife. So they travelled in hordes to J.T. McCord's to have the time of their life.

Trumpeting harmony for the first time with her new band uniforms, Stacy Hyatt toots her horn during the halftime performance. The new uniforms were the first face-lift Big Blue had seen in eight years.



OUT OF THE BLUE!

"I usually got up around 5:00 AM to get ready for practice," said baritone player Robin Hopkins. "I wouldn't have time to eat before I left for school, so I would end up eating in the car on the way."

Throughout the first thirteen weeks of school, hurried

breakfasts and a head full of rollers were commonplace for Robin. "The object was not to look your best for the morning's marching," she said.

"My favorite part about the Friday games was going to J. T. McCord's or Judge Bean's to eat afterwards," said Robin. "We were proud of what we had done, and we knew that it was time for us to have some fun."



Checking his time, James Bobo glances at the drum major for beat assistance. He was one of NM's 22 Drum Line members.



Grabbing the crowd's attention, the entire Big Blue advances with its final formation. The constantly changing formations equaled thousands of positions.



Belting out the final notes of a number, Susie Harris keeps an eye on what she is doing. Band gives you a chance to be really involved in NM spirit, she said.

Forming a "figure eight," the band performs one of the routines shown in UIL marching contest. One hundred and forty members pulled in straight "Ones" in contest.



# Playing

## Stars shine at NM's Academy Awards

Okay, so maybe it was a little lighter. It was not exactly solid gold, either. For ten actors, however, it was as good as the real thing.

Twenty initiates were inducted into the International Thespian Society during the "Third Annual Academy Awards and Thespian Initiation Ceremony" held on May 25.

It was my first 'Oscar,'" said Brad Holt. "Hopefully, it won't be my last!"

Best Actor — Brad Holt

Best Actress — Renae Bradshaw

Best Supporting Actor — Jason

Drummond

Best Supporting Actress — Tern Reese

Best Minor Role (Male) — Chris Hoffman

Best Minor Role (Female) — Jennifer Morrison

Best Walk-On (Male) — James Thigpen

Best Walk-On (Female) — Christy Carlisle

Most Valuable Crew Member — Monica Calicchio

Best Thespian — David Martox

Using the band hall as their warm-up room, the cast and crew of "Little Shop of Horrors" sing the "big" song, "Downtown (Skid Row)." It was traditional for the company to gather before the performances for a final meeting and pep talk.

A little confused, Audrey (Debbie Edmundson) tries to break from the plant's clutches as Seymour (Brad Holt) shrieks. Walt Moran was puppeteer for all three pods of the deadly Audrey II.



### OUT OF THE BLUE!

Norman Cornell, Alan Turtle (Toots), and Seymour Krelborn, a single man, a teenager, an experimental botanist. Obviously, they all have little in common, but there is one important juncture. The connection is Brad Holt.

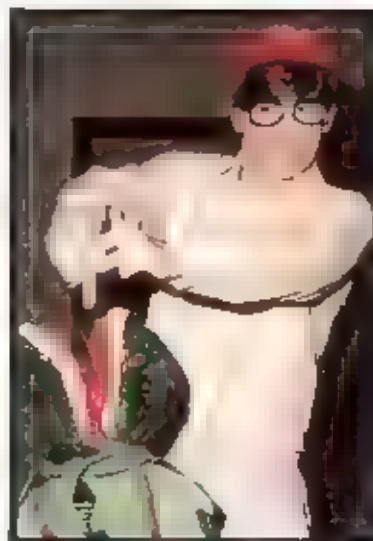
Brad starred in the year's first dramatic production, "Star-Spangled Girl," and was one of only three actors in the entire play. It was Brad's second high school performance, but it was not his last.

Brad went on to serve a

minor role in "Splendor in the Grass" as Toots Turtle, but only so he could perform the lead position in the year's finale, "Little Shop of Horrors" as Seymour Krelborn.

"It was tough getting virtually no break for the entire year," said Brad. "As soon as 'Star-Spangled Girl' was over, we started right in on 'Splendor'. The week after 'Splendor' was completed, rehearsals for 'Little Shop' began."

It was not too tough of a road for Brad, though. "Theatre is something I enjoy doing, so it doesn't matter how long or how hard it gets."



Deterring Norman Cornell (Brad Holt) his spying, Andy Hobart (Steve Halter) scolds his roommate during NM's fall production, "The Star Spangled Girl." Brad received the Academy Award for Best Actor for his portrayal of Norman.

Scheming to get his way, Ace Star (Jason Drummond) tries to coax his Bud, (Allen Massey) into going to. Both actors received Honorable Mention and All-Star Cast Awards during UIL competition.





**"A Remedy for a Sick Society"**  
 First Row: Steve Halenian, Renae Bradshaw, Brad Holt, W. and Rose, Jacques Cooke, Marvin DeWolfe.  
 Second Row: Brittany Yelland, Third Row: Gnette Serrano, Shelli Chance, Julie Powers, David Maito, Director Lou Logan.



**"Little Shop Of Horrors"** — First Row: Tara Thorpe, Monica Calichio, Stephanie Spaulding, Tara Davis, Heidi Baker, Candy Hubbard, Second Row: Wahi Moran, Kara Esman, William Jackson, John Forester, Stephanie Erwin, Terri Reese, Debbie Edmundson, Brad Holt, Jason Drummond, Christy Carole, Third Row: David Maito, Susie Harris.  
 Sheres: Anthony, James Thigpen, Jeanne Cross, Chris Hoffman, Julie Sander-Cedotuf, Miles Balthrop, Jennifer Morrison, Adriana Munoz, Travis Perry, Fourth Row: (Techies) Renae Bradshaw, Roz Rommel, Bonson Page, Brittany Yelland, Marvin DeWolfe, Jason Vaughan, Jay Taylor, Maurine Hall, Stephanie Harris, Denise Grossnick.



**"Slender in the Grass"** — First Row: Chris Hoffman, Roz Rommel, William Jackson, Julie Sander-Cedotuf, Denise Dunn, Larry Cassatt, David Maito, Second Row: Monica Calichio, Stephanie Erwin, Renae Bradshaw, Allen Master, Daniel Louzou, Jason Vaughan, Third Row: Brad Holt, Teresa McMillan, Marvin DeWolfe, Julie Powers, Maurine Hall, Jason Drummond.

# Playing

## Anticipation mounts for year's dramatic finale

They trickled in one by one; most of the girls had a headful of rollers. Words were rare as they entered the preparation rooms, and nervous smiles for each other were enough. They had waited two months for that night; it had finally arrived, and they were confident.

It was the year's biggest dramatical performance, "Little Shop of Horrors." "The announcements claimed it was the best musical ever performed at NM," said Stacy Hargrove, who was in the audience all three nights of its performance. "I think it was better than that."

Stacy's opinion was shared by the rest of the audiences for the production. The cast of "Little Shop" received standing ovations after every performance. After only

six weeks of rehearsal, the musical was produced May 12-14.

"Little Shop of Horrors" capped off the year for the theatre department. The other two productions, "The Star-Spangled Girl" and "Splendor in the Grass" sent audiences away satisfied."

"Esprit de corps was something we tried to focus on during all three of the plays," said director Lois Logan. "Tension builds towards the end of rehearsal time, and without the team effort, the productions would not be worth performing."

Anxious for any news, Del Loomis (Marvin DeWolfe) and Bud Stamper (Allen Massey) listen to Doc Smiley (Chris Hoffman). NM's 1988 UIL One-Act Play entry, "Splendor in the Grass," earned the cast a Zone II title at UIL competition.

OUT OF THE BLUE!

"Acting has been a part of my life for as long as I can remember," said Renae Bradshaw. "I've always loved to pretend that I'm something other than what I am."

Renae was the female lead in two of the three plays produced. She portrayed "Sophie Rauschmeyer" in "Star Spangled Girl" and "Deanie" in "Splendor in the Grass."

"Deanie was the hardest character I have ever done," said Renae. "Deanie was a character study, and it was more difficult to portray."

Although "Deanie" was the most challenging for Renae, her favorite character was "Sophie." "She was my

favorite because she was so different from me. She is high-spirited and flaunty, and she was a lot of fun to portray."

Renae has been involved in eight productions throughout her high school career. "I instantly became involved as a freshman," said Renae. "I had waited a long time to be in theatre, and I'm glad I did."



Smuckering, Ronnette (Stephanie Erwin), Crystal (Tara Reese), and Chiffon (Kara Essman) scull as Orin Scrivello (John Romero) styles his hair. "Little Shop of Horrors" received three consecutive standing ovations during the three-day run of the show May 12-14.



**International Thespian Society** — *First Row* Renae Bradshaw (President) Chris Hoffman (Secretary), Debbie Edmondson (Treasurer), Julie Powers (Historian) *Andra*

King (Chaplain) *Second Row* Shar Kirk, Shell & Chance, Ronnie Mason, Conette Serrano, Brittany Yelland *Third Row* Marvin DeWolfe, Steve Halteman, James Thigpen, Christy Carlisle, Director Lois Logan.



Setting a squabble between the three of them, Sophie Rauschmeyer (Renae Bradshaw) points the finger of finality at Andy (Steve Halteman) and Norman (Brad

Holt) The three of them made up the entire cast, and Renae won the Academy Award for Best Actress for her portrayals throughout the year.



Giving the musical cast a "hand" director Lois Logan, displays her final gift to them. Hand-shaped keychains, red smiley-faced pins, and black satin roses were presents Mrs. Logan gave to her cast on performance nights.



Sporting typical '60's hairstyles, Crystal (Terrie Reese), Ronette (Stephanie Erwin), and Chiffon (Kara Essman) point the way to Mushnik's Florist Shop, the "little shop of horrors." The musical contained more than 15 songs with beats ranging from ballads to rap.



# SPIRIT

"The judges had called out the other four names, and there was a long silence," said Deanna Hogan. "Although we were happy that our JV won runners-up, we knew that we were the only squad they had not announced."

That was the scene the final day at cheerleader camp when the varsity squad was awarded the Award of Excellence. It was the first time both NM groups were voted the top two squads at the camp, the first time four cheerleaders were nominated for 'All-American Cheerleader,' and the first time the varsity squad won the Award of Excellence two years in a row.

"I was really astounded when they announced both groups as

the best in the camp," said sponsor Linda Muhl. "I knew they were capable of it, but it is really rare for that to happen."

The reality of being a NM cheerleader sank in quickly for some of the girls. "It set into my brain during initiation," said JV cheerleader Amie Bruce. "It hit me not because of the embarrassment, but because I realized I was apprenticing someone else."

"This was the closest group of girls I've ever had," said Muhl. "Whether it was within each group or when they performed together, I could tell from the first practice that they blended better than any squad I have seen."

Sporting miles of smiles, the varsity squad performs a cheer at the Samuel game. The routine was performed to the beat of the band's drum line.



Executing their usual kickoff routine, varsity cheerleaders Amy Dyer, Michelle Boyd, Kristin Saus, Deanna Hogan, Kim Williams, and Leah Henrie attempt to psych the crowd up. The cheerleaders instigated a monotone roar that escalated when the ball was kicked.

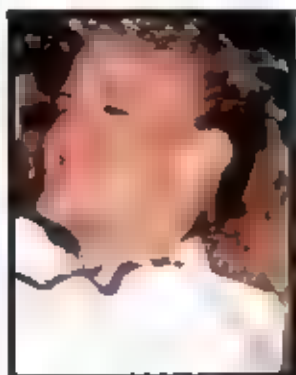
Trying to start "The Wave" in the crowd, Erik VanMeter mocks a punch and a crowd. VanMeter was NM's third cut and was required to go to camp as the cheerleaders were.



**Varsity Cheerleaders** — First Row: Deanna Hogan, Kim Williams, LeeAnn Hentie, Second Row: Amanda McPherson, Amy Dickey, Marlene Waters, Charla Gervers, Third Row: Rita Moya, Page Burkhalter, Lisa Herrage, Michelle Boyd, Kristin Salas



**J. V. Cheerleaders** — First Row: Kathy Sumner, Julie Houston, Amie Bruce, Susie Cooke, Holly Lawrence, Second Row: Kim Corbin, Amy Moffett, Tysha Renfrew, Jennifer Montgomery, Debbie Mallon, Melissa Hall, Susan Gloden



*"My favorite cheer is 'Make Our Day', because the words are really powerful and the cheer is strong."*

**Charla Gervers**

**REAL QUOTABLES**





Combine medieval face-painting, yoga with Froot Loops, blue mouths, Pepsi shampoo, and Barry Manilow. The result is cheerleader summer camp.

For five days — to — 24 cheerleaders, two managers, and sponsor Linda Muhl survived 15 hour practice days at Stephen F. Austin University hoping to win the Award of Excellence — the bounty given to the year's best squad.

'Camp was a time for us to show other squads what we could do, but it was also an excuse for us to get a little weird,' said Kristin Salas. 'There were too many strange things going on to even list.'

For starters Kim Corbin and Amy Moffett doodled on their faces with markers after practice one day. 'Mrs. Muhl called for a serious meeting, and then they realized that the markers were permanent,' Tysha Renfro said.

Managers Dottie King and Casey Rawls lightened the tension of competition by keeping the girls in a good mood. 'They poured Froot Loops on the floor of their dorm and tried to tell us that it was a form of initiation like walking on hot coals,' Amie Bruce said.

Dottie and Casey, alias Maria and Lola, performed for the group after their longest day of practice. 'They put fruit on their heads and danced to Barry Manilow's 'Copacabana,' said

Charla Gervers. 'It was hilarious!'

Kim Corbin told of the time she gave Jolie Houston a piece of trick gum. 'After a while it turned her whole mouth blue,' said Kim. 'She did not even know it.'

Not all of the stories from camp had a meaning or a reason. 'We were laughing pretty hard one day in our dorm,' said Jennifer Montgomery.

Without thinking, I poured my full can of Pepsi over my head. I didn't think I would ever get it out.'

A fire alarm sounded Thursday during camp, and the girls had just completed a long workout. 'I was in the shower, and I did not realize that it had gone off,' Amanda McPherson said. 'All I remember is grabbing a sheet and running outside.'

Mascot Erik VanMeter had his share of embarrassing moments at camp. 'I remember the last day of evaluation. They had warned us to be careful of water puddles, because it had rained the night before and leaked. I forgot, and as I ran across the floor — I slipped and skidded about ten yards. I jumped up and rubbed my behind like I had meant to do it.'

'Cheerleader camp might have seemed like nothing to anyone else,' said Marlene Waters. 'For the cheerleaders, it was something that will never be forgotten.'



Maintaining good spirits while the Stallions fall momentarily behind, JV cheerleaders Kathy Sumner, Amie Bruce, and Tysha Renfro chant 'Let's Go, Stallions.' NM's JV squad was the only JV group nominated for the Award of Excellence at camp, and they received runners up.

Forming a pyramid to top off a cheer, the combined squad smiles for the crowd. The squads combined for the third quarter of the football games.



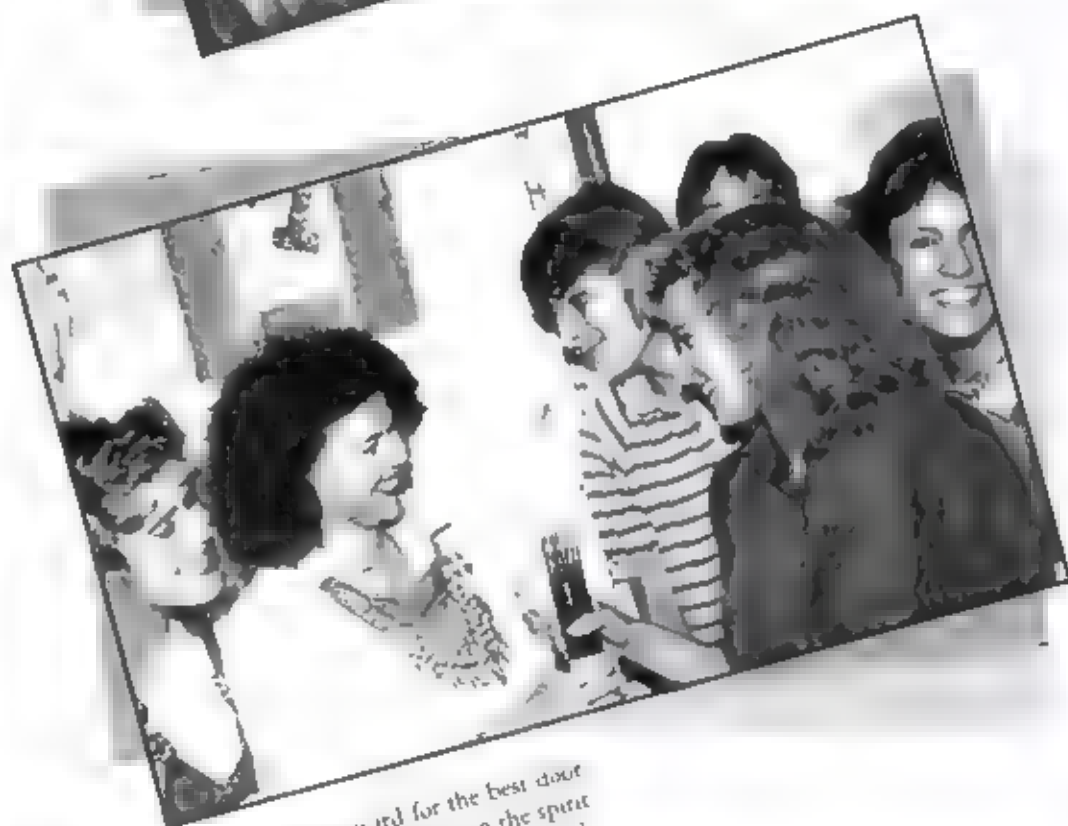
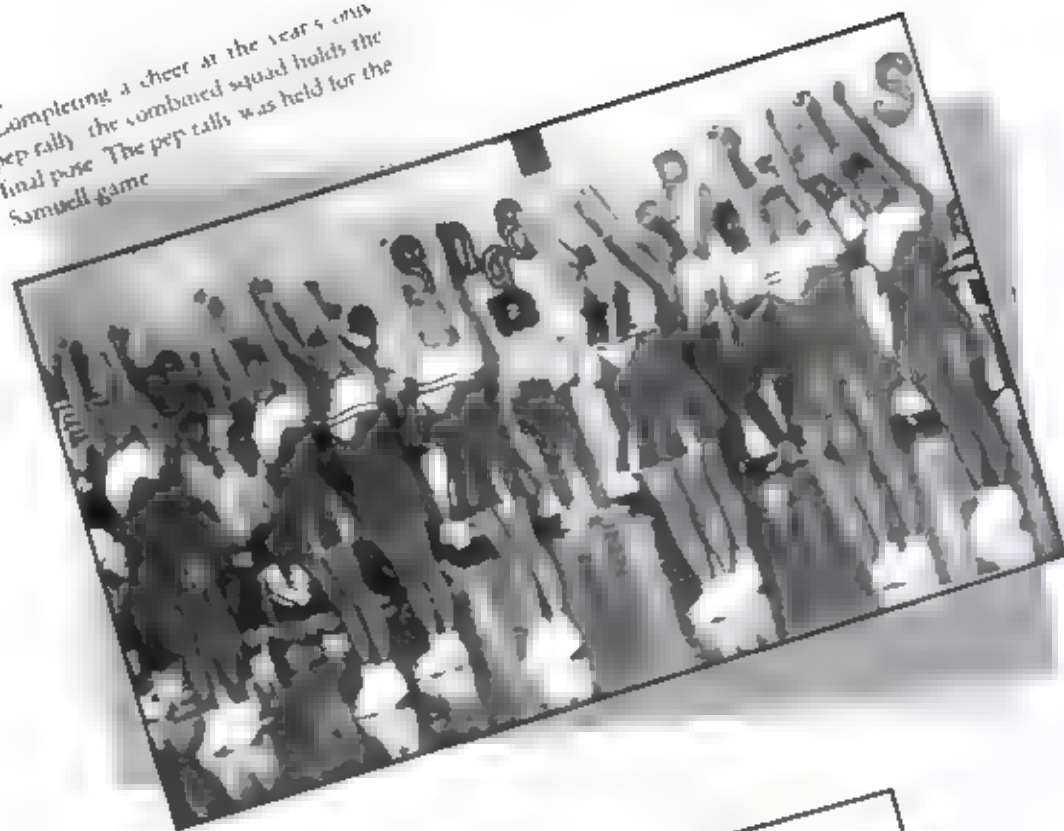




*"The best part about being a cheerleader is being there when the Stallions came out ahead."*

— Michelle Boyd

Completing a cheer at the year's only pep rally, the combined squad holds the final pose. The pep rally was held for the Samuel game.



Accepting her award for the best door poster, Nancy Borden is given the spirit stick by LeeAnn Henrie and Kim Williams. Ms. Borden's winning door was decorated with Christmas lights and glittered goalposts.

# BALL

Spraypainting moons, stars, tablecloths, trees, and foil leaves all went into the preparations for the "Fantasy Land" at the Military Ball where five cadets were selected for the honor court and one would be chosen queen.

After the Sabor Guard entered the room, Travis Sreen stepped up to the podium to announce the members of the ROTC court. First Christa Smith was announced as freshman princess and she was followed by Brandi Kelly, sophomore princess, Lynn Krus, junior princess, and Malee Hunter, senior princess. It was then that Sabrina Sunday was announced as Queen of the Military Ball.

Her face went all white and she stood up and looked around like she wasn't sure it was her name that was called," Ky Nguyen said.

I didn't know whether to laugh, or cry, or scream! Sabrina Sunday said.

The Queen quickly gathered her composure in time to join the rest of the ROTC court for pictures.

After the coronation was over, dancing began led by the queen and her ROTC escort, Scott Carpenter. The crowd of one hundred and fifty people from ROTC teams all over Mesquite slowly dwindled and the ball ended at the stroke of midnight.



*"The Ball was very well organized. This was the best so far."*

Lynn Krus

REAL QUOTABLES



Members of the Royal Court — Brandi Kelly, Lynn Krus, Sabrina Sunday, Malee Hunter, and Christa Smith. Photo by Ron Taylor.

Lining up to raise their swords to the members of the Royal Court, the Sabor Guard stands at attention before the coronation in the cafeteria. Members of the Sabor Guard shown were Brad Wallace, Jimmy Dollin, Walter Moran, and Brandon Lee. Photo by Ron Taylor.







With her escort Scott Carpenter, Sabrina Sunday walks through the Sabor Guard to collect her roses. Sabrina was voted Queen of the nineteenth Military Band. Photo by Ron Taylor

Taking his place at the podium, Travis Steen announces the members of the royal court. The coronation began after they sang the traditional national anthem. Photo by Ron Taylor



**Bravo Company** — Front Row: Brandon Lee, Blaine Warner, Kris Kidd, Frank Warr, Albert Evans. Second Row: Robert Hutchinson, Jesse Campbell, Clint Wallace, Lyle Burton, Roy Plummer, Tom Jones. Third Row: Brandon Knight, Deanne Harrison, Luis Rodriguez, Brian Patterson, Charles Walker, Angel Ruiz. Fourth Row: Tanya Stithair, Rache Ray, Jeron Starkov, James Hasteau, Don Palmer, Maria Hernandez. Fifth Row: Michelle Hodgson, Lyle James, Michelle Roughley, Billy Hayes, Jess Moss, Hoyt Wayland, Kevin Muzny, Terence Dettson.



**Charlie Company** — Front row: Walt Moran, Mike Watson, Paul Simmons, Brad Austin. Second Row: Rett McClellan, Kevin Lenk, Timothy Anderson, Johnathan Lightfoot. Third Row: Dominic Prather, Matthew Foster, Mikael Boyd, Mark Wganton, Leon Odum. Fourth Row: Mackey McCutchin, Matthew Howe, Neal Browning, Dewayne Starling, Michael Kilgorey.



**Echo Company** — Front Row: Scott Carpenter, Steve Athanas, Maier Hunter, Sabrina Sunday, Ky Nguyen, Travis Steen, Wayne Vaughn, Sean Daves. Second Row: Jeff Donaldson, Pam Lazo, Lynn Kins, Gina Smith, Martin Woods, Felicia Hudson, Teresa Purvis. Third Row: Jaira Gaudin, Melissa Jones, Tanya Bateman, Meve Lowden, Chrissa Smith, Dustin Chapman, Vickie Nelson. Fourth Row: Kelly Ledgerwood, Brian Clark, Chris Oper, Lonnie Turner, Michael Kellam, Paul Lewellyn, Gary King. Fifth Row: Macky McCutchin, Jeff Lumpkin, Keith Melton, Benny Rodriguez, Jay Statton, Donovan Bell, Robert Finnigan.



**Delta Company** — Front row: Kris Kidd, Chris McGhee. Second Row: Eric Gardner, Richard Cecol, Jay Swines, Terence Dettson. Third Row: Tiffany Pritchard, Tanya Allen, Lewis Fisher, Lyle Wright. Fourth Row: Joel Joseph, Robert Carol, Cheta Jones, Teresa Purvis.



# ROTC

Despite all the workouts and vigorous training, ROTC offers benefits within and outside the military.

"The military has so much to offer and ROTC gives you a good head start," Scott Carpenter said.

With a few years under their belt, ROTC cadets can skip right over boot camp and go straight into the field of training if they have a military career in mind.

ROTC also offers scholarships like the four-year scholarship awarded to Travis Steen by the Air Force to the college of his choice that offers military training.

"It was a really great honor to be chosen for the scholarship because a lot of people applied," Travis said.

In the classroom, cadets learn map reading, first aid, military communications, marksmanship, and military history.

ROTC really prepares you for almost anything in the military," Steve Arbanas said.

Girls also pulled rank and received awards at drill meets. Malee Hunter won a trophy for the best drill commander at the Birdville meet.

"It was hard for the girls because we had to work twice as hard to be just as good," Pam Lazo said.

In or out of the combat zone, cadets learn traits like leadership, good citizenship, respect, and responsibility.

"ROTC teaches you how to look at yourself as a person and provides skills that you need," Jay Starnes said.

Ribbons, plaques, metals, and trophies were awarded to cadets for their accomplishments at the awards banquet on May 13th.

"My cadets are the best people we have in this school," Major Guynn said.



Falling in PT formation, Macky McCutchin prepares for the daily work out. Work outs consisted of running jacks, pushups, and pull-ups, or flexed arm hangs. Photo by John Holt

Marching in the Potter parking lot, the Team listens for orders from their commander, Carpenter. The Rifle Team usually practices Thursdays. Photo by Jennifer Miles



*Commanding Staff — Front Row: Steve Arcanas, Major Coxon, Matt Garner, Scott Carpenter, Mike Watson. Sergeant First Class Coach Kris Kidd Jr. and Rita Sabena Sunday, Brian Duncan, Brandon Lee, Malee Hunter, Ky Nguyen, Chris McGinnis not pictured*



*Girl's Color Guard — Pamela Lazo, Lynn Krus, Julie Krus*

*"Regardless of what everybody says, ROTC is not just a lot of push-ups. It's a challenge."*

Macky McCutchin

## REAL QUOTABLES



*Standing in front of some of North Mesquite's many trophies, Travis Sween stands with Malee Hunter holding her trophy she won at a drill meet for being the best drill commander. Travis received a four-year scholarship from the Air Force*

Isn't That  
Special!

## Just a bunch of girls having a HULA-va Time

To an outsider it could have looked strange. It was only a cafeteria full of students trying to enjoy their lunches peacefully. It didn't *sound* strange until a barrage of blue-and-white clad girls decided it was time to lead the Friday cheers. From the Sophomore Battlecry ("Momma!") to the traditional "Hey, gang!", these patriotically uniformed girls revived the spirit for the night's game.

That was the scene for the first thirteen weeks of school.

"We were willing to put forth as much of an effort as was needed to get everybody hyped

up," said lieutenant Lissa Krahn. Pacesetters wore 50's attire, dressed like nerds, painted posters for each member of the football team — whatever it took to promote spirit. "We won the games, so it was easier for us to keep smiling," Lissa said.

Another factor that helped the Pacesetters keep their heads high was the encouragement of sponsor Barbara Thomas. "I tried to find

poems and readings to provide positive reinforcement at the right time," said Thomas. "The motivation is the hardest part. The girls can get a real burnout when a routine is practiced so often."

"The hardest part about being a Pacesetter is getting up early for practice. That early in the morning you don't want to do anything."

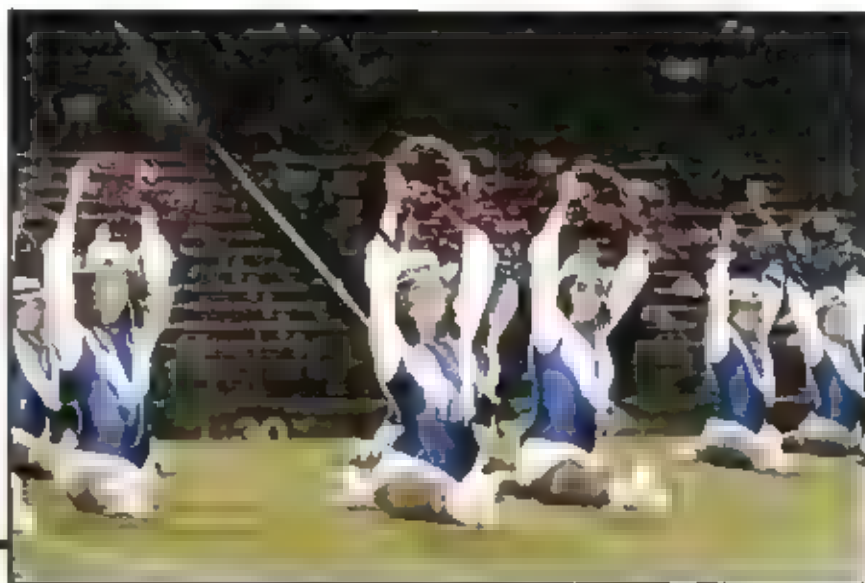
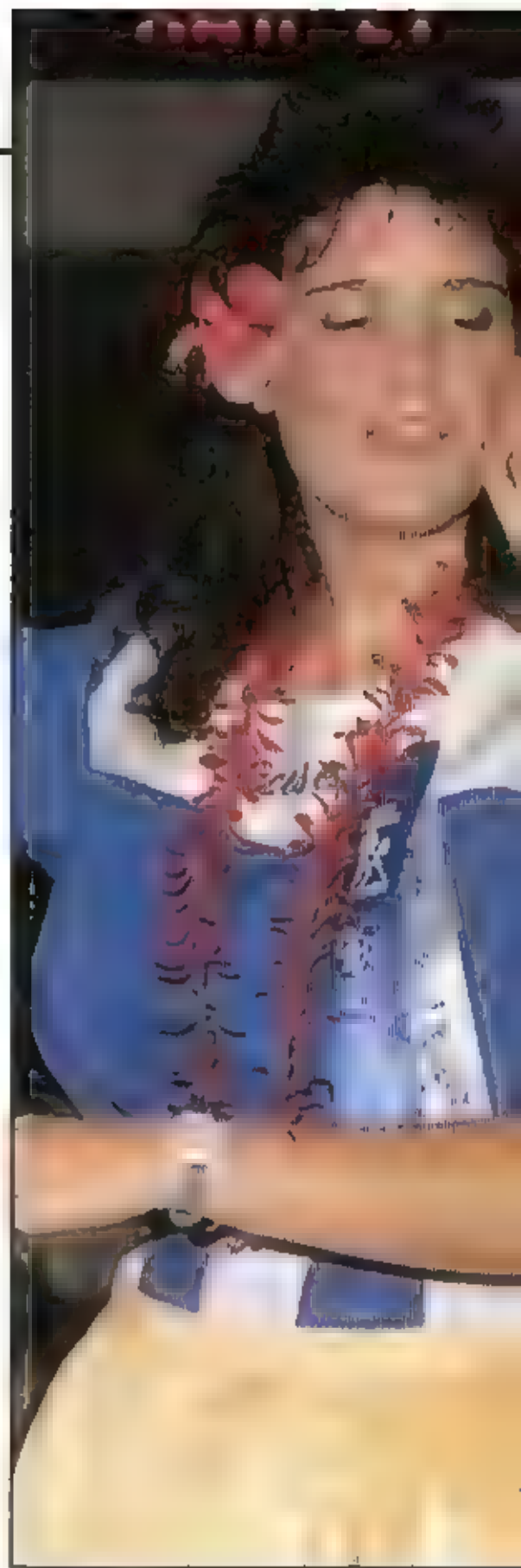
— Michelle  
Torres

No matter how often a routine was practiced, a new approach was introduced. "You thought you had the routine memorized perfectly, and then Mrs. Thomas would tell you something different about it," said Tina Calhoun. "You ended up doing it OVER and OVER again."

Although it did have its rough spots, the Pacesetter experience had its up-side. "My favorite part about Pacesetters is the performing," said Amanda Yarbrough. "The hard work you've put forth during practice finally pays off."

There were thirteen different performances during the football season, ranging from the peppy "Rockin' Robin" to the sultry "Jazzin'" to the precise

With Hawaiian leis, grass skirts, and the traditional flower on their ears, Julie Branson and Amy Hearn demonstrate a dance move in the cafeteria on Beach Bunkers Friday Promotions highlighted the football season. Photo by Kyle Heron.

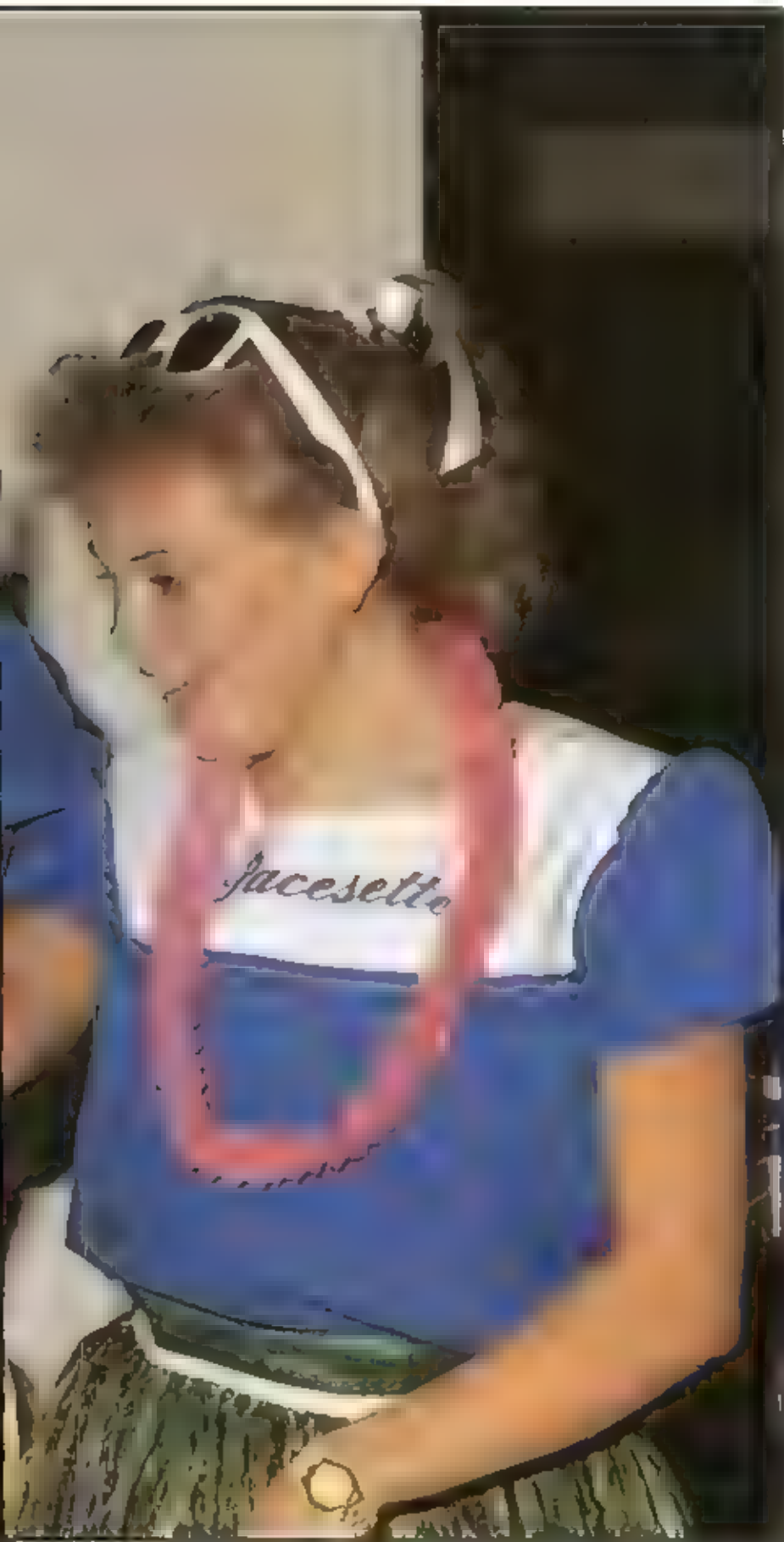


Tambourines held high, Libby Thomas, Diann Foster, Angela Reaser, and Valerie Presley execute the splits in the final position of the "Old-time Rock 'n Roll" routine. Sixty-three Pacesetters made up the squad and seven different routines were performed during the season. Photo by John Woolard.

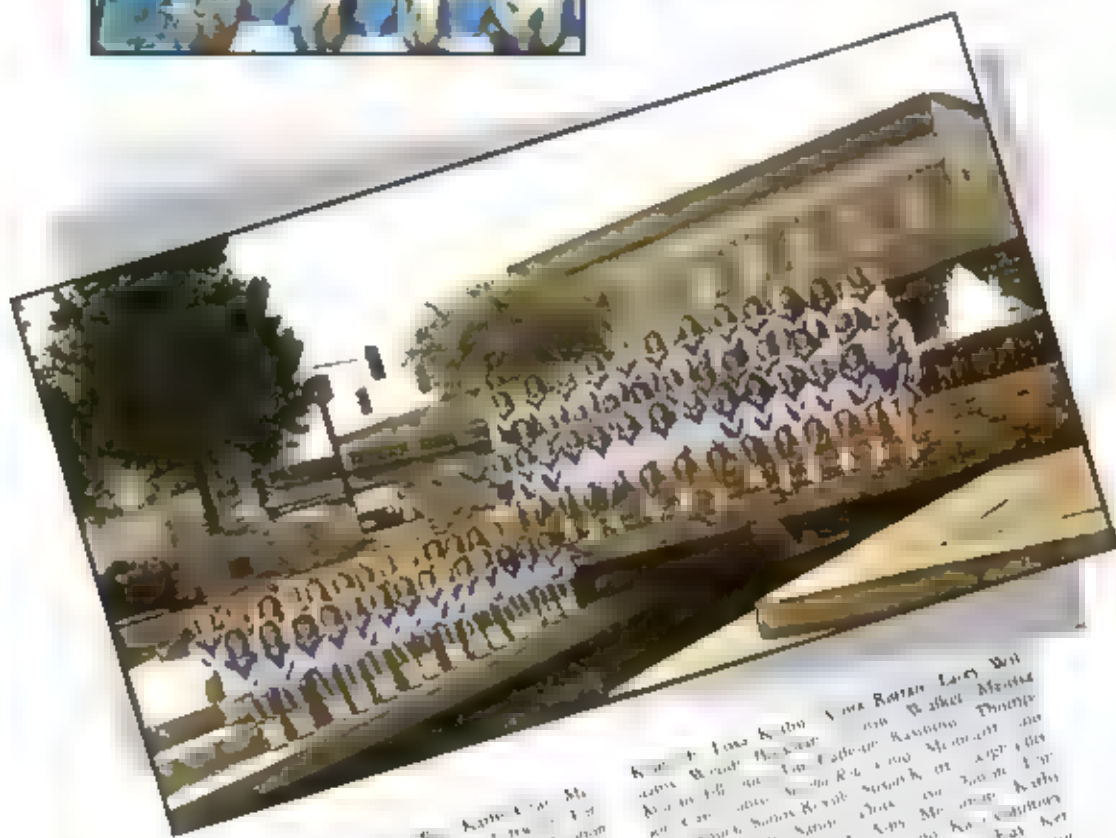
Five Pacesetter officers, Donna Kautzsch, Lissa Krahn, Alana Rattan, Lacy Williams, and Wendy Burkhardt, wave to the audience as they finish up the "Rockin' Robin" routine. Officers were selected through tryout competition with squad voting on the captain position. Photo by John Woolard.





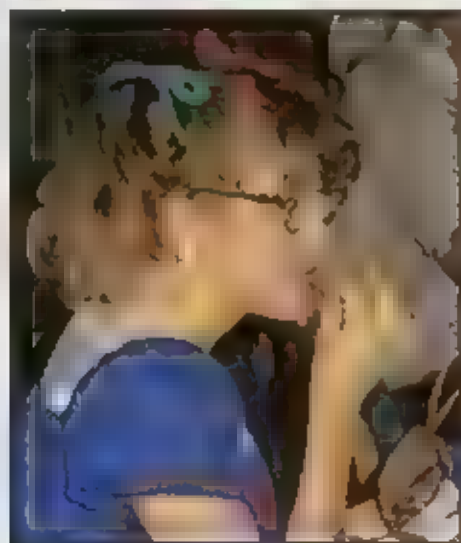


Blue and white bodysuits, skirts, and gloves highlight NM's only in-school pep rally. Hand routines and a performance to 'Legs' accented the pep rally. Photo by John Host



**Pacesetter**  
 Mrs. Thomas, Barbara Thomas, getting music together, making tapes for routines, and meeting everyone with a smile were all part of the daily chores for Cari Cranfill, Pacesetter manager.

## SWEET INSANITY: For Cari, work comes first



Arriving 30 minutes before the rest of the squad, taking roll, helping sponsor Barbara Thomas, getting music together, making tapes for routines, and meeting everyone with a smile were all part of the daily chores for Cari Cranfill, Pacesetter manager.

"I just try to help Mrs. Thomas out in any way that I can," said Cari. "I also work at keeping the girls

cheered up whenever they are not at their happiest."

Cari felt as if she were part of the squad even though she did not perform. "I was friends with most of the girls, and they tried to make me feel like I was included," she said.

With all of the work involved, only a dedicated person could be a Pacesetter manager. "I decided to be a manager because it was my

senior year, and I wanted to be a part of something that all of my close friends were doing.

"My favorite part about being a Pacesetter manager is the performance," said Cari. "All week I watch them prepare for the Friday night game. It was always a good performance, and I was very proud of it even though I was not on the field."

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# HULA

military routine, furnished different styles of music as well as diverse performance moods.

Seven different routines were devised for the football season. Officers were responsible for choreographing and teaching the routines to the girls.

My favorite routine was Rockin' Robin because I had a really good time doing it, Tammy Driggers said.

Practice for the Pacesetter experience could come in an early form as J.V. Drill.

The purpose of J.V. Drill is to prepare the girls for Pacesetter tryouts," said Thomas.

They learn self-discipline along with the physical skills for the routine.

By being in J.V. Drill I realized what it was like to ac-

tually be out there on the field instead of watching from the stands," said Dana Dally. "It was much more fun to actually participate. We grew close to each other because we were together so much.

The hardest part about J.V. Drill is accepting the constructive criticism," said Lisa Ames.

You don't realize at the time it is only for your own good.

The drill team squads were not just at the games for the fans to have something to appreciate during halftime. Encouraging enthusiasm was part of the Pacesetter's job.

I think the purpose of the drill team is to promote school spirit and get the crowd hyped," said Pacesetter lieutenant Wendy Burkhart. "If we perform a good routine and the crowd is excited when the second half begins, then we've done our job.

Concentrating on keeping the courts Jennifer Walker, Tamara Johnston, and Cheryl Hubak perform the routine to Wipeout for the J.V. Drill's only football performance. The J.V. Drill also performed at two basketball games. Photo by Kyle Herron.

Lining up for the J.V. Drill's halftime performance, Laura Hargis and company cheer the football team on to an undefeated season. Seventy-nine girls from two classes made up the squad. Photo by Kyle Herron.



Capping off the halftime performance Michelle Bonus, Wendy McSpadden, Darcy Prange, and Jennifer Walker march off the field. The performance was at the Mesquite game at Memorial Stadium. Photo by John Holt.

In military style, Julie St. John, Kristi Harrison, Tamara Barnett, and Laura Hargis march off of the field in the only performance during the football season. Two numbers were performed throughout the 17 minute performance. Photo by John Holt.





**Second Period J.V. Drill** — Front Row: Cassi Haines, Jennifer Watkins, Kaitlyn Johnson, Cheryl Hubick, Shelley Smith, Karla Rueden, Kaitlyn Moore, Anna Rasmussen, Brown, Tami Campbell, Emily Ingram, Susan Johnson, Stephanie Brown, Karen Clark, Jany Jennifer Walker, Angela Phillips, Kaitlyn Campbell, Emma Rasmussen, Karla Westbrook, Melissa Martin, Lauren, Tami Scott

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**Fifth Period J.V. Drill** — Front Row: Cassi Haines, Jennifer Watkins, Kaitlyn Johnson, Cheryl Hubick, Shelley Smith, Karla Rueden, Kaitlyn Moore, Anna Rasmussen, Brown, Tami Campbell, Emily Ingram, Susan Johnson, Stephanie Brown, Karen Clark, Jany Jennifer Walker, Angela Phillips, Kaitlyn Campbell, Emma Rasmussen, Karla Westbrook, Melissa Martin, Lauren, Tami Scott

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## SWEET INSANITY: *Taking it a friend at a time*



Being an officer was not the only title a Pacesetter could earn. Four of the best were named J.V. Drill instructors.

"When I was announced as an instructor, it was the greatest thing in the world to me!" fifth period instructor Melissa Martin said.

A J.V. Drill instructor had to give up an extra class

to teach the second or fifth period squads. "I think it was well worth it to forfeit the other class," said Melissa. "What is more important to me is that I got to work with the girls to help them improve their skills."

"The hardest part about being an instructor was when I had to gripe at the sophomores," said Melissa.

Sometimes I really had to take control and show that I meant business."

Melissa became a favorite among the fifth period drillers she taught. "I tried to establish my friendships before I got harsh on them," she said. "It was really important to me to be their friend first."



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## Bows and BOW TIES

A single bead of sweat rolled down the face of the violin player. His nervous fingers shake as they tighten the instrument strings. Finally, the first tap of the conductor's baton jolts him back into the reality of the moment.

Feelings like these racked orchestra members before their concerts and competi-

tions. "Before a performance, we're nervous and everything, but I love the feeling of accomplishment after we have played to the best of our ability," Angie Bennett said.

**I enjoy orchestra because I love music, and I find it a good way to express emotions.**

**— Robert Gonzales**

UIL Solo and Ensemble in February, the Sandy Lake festival in May, and the State contest in Austin on May 29 and 30 completed a year of rigorous competition. Concerts included the October 22 Fall concert, the December 17 Christmas concert, and the Senior concert on May 19.

High ratings, trophies and sweepstakes made for an outstanding Orchestra season. "At the Buccaneer festival, a competition in Corpus Christi, we got a first place. We also recently got straight one's in UIL competition for two sweep-

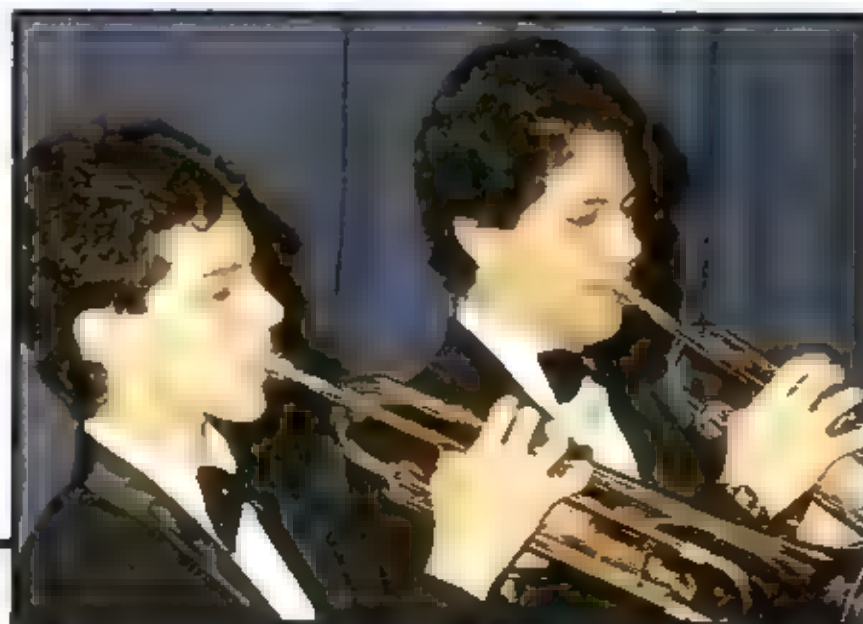
stakes trophies," Danielle Claus said.

"Also," said Adriana Munoz, three people made TMEA all-state orchestra, and over half the orchestra made all-region."

Members said that Orchestra benefited their character, development of talent, and friendships. "I feel that being in orchestra teaches me skills now so that I can be a better musician and teacher later," Debbie Laxson said.

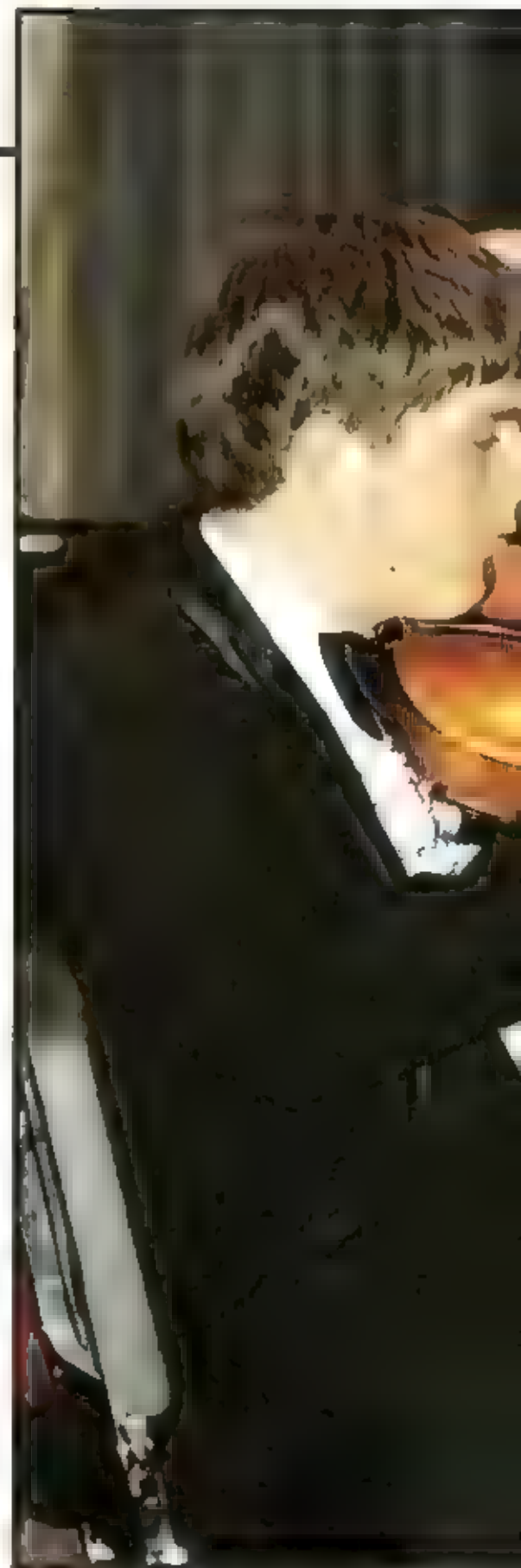
Jennifer Copin agreed. "Orchestra is an ideal opportunity," she said. "It teaches discipline, patience, excitement, determination, and is a good character builder."

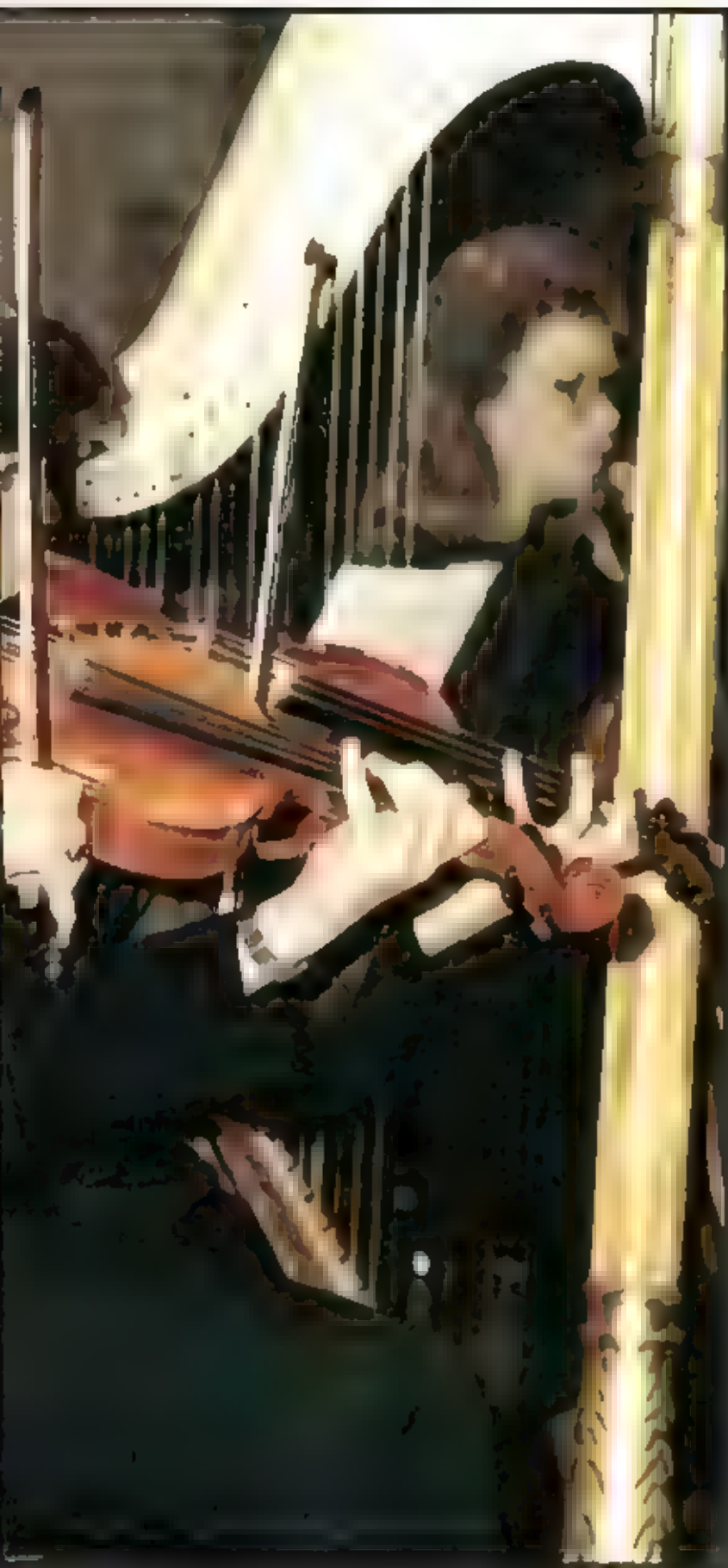
Fiddling around was not the idea as Eric McKeever, Daniel Claus, along with the other members of the orchestra perform at the March 31 concert. Symphony Number 1 by Beethoven and Symphonies by Scarlatti were included in the performance repertoire.



Looking dashing in their black tuxes, Adrian Gonzales and James Lambath took their own horns during the March 31 concert. Besides concerts, orchestra traveled to Berkner, Pierce, the Buccaneer Festival in Corpus Christi to compete.

Horns burned the scores of the Carmen Suite by the French composer Bizet, as Meribel Crow, Susan Harris, Karla Doss, and John Hoff perform in the Spring concert. Activities of orchestra were not limited only to performing, but included music appreciation and music history.



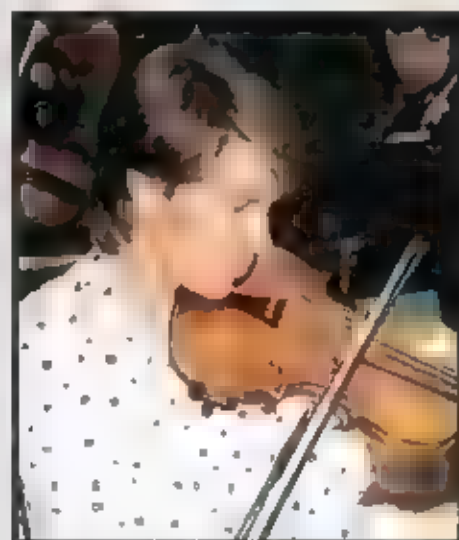


**O**chestra — Karlene Brown (Librarian), Steve Crabtree (President), Paul Winder, Anne Hopkins, Debbie Lasso, Regina Louisa, Mattemma Light, Stephanie Stuckling, Angela Thumson, Kenneth Burk, Kaitlee Cook, Treasurer, Jennifer Lopez, Sean Kirtle, Kyle Morgan, Eric Hanes, Chris Kitchener, Sean Kirtle, Kyle Morgan, Adewunmi Munoz, Brian Wright, Michelle Lucas, Danielle Claus, Chris Loder, (Secretary), Maribel Torres, Robin Gray, Erin McHenry, Ginger Kim, Mike Beth, Arda Bonnik, (Vice President), Angela Bennett, Ronald Crum, Susan Harris (Librarian), Karen Harrison, Hong Lee, Ronson Page, (Vice President), Jason Robinson (Stage Manager), Mirale Tucker, Allen Nune, Brian Hewson, Chris Pland, Patrick Sigore, Chris Thompson, Christine Hobbs, Erin Stambaugh, Kristina Wrenfield, Amy Burgess, John Huggard, Christy Carlisle, Stephanie McDuffie, John Peter, Frank Diaz, Anne Harris, Kerry Davis, Adrian Gonzalez, James Lambeth, Karla Goss, John Holt, Arthur Kwong, Cary Lindsey, Jeff Moore, Brian Ryan, Dale Scoggins, Steve Tucker



A tap tap on the music stand and a wave of the conductor's baton are the motions of Weldon Minnick as he directs the orchestra during the Pre UIL concert. Orchestra also performed concerts on December 17 and May 19.

## SWEET INSANITY: *Integrate New Ideas*



"Orchestra has had a lot to do with my development into an adult and introduced elements into my character that I will always cherish," Steve Crabtree said.

Steve was a four year member of the orchestra in which he played the violin, and served as president his senior year. "Being president, I have tried to inte-

grate new ideas into the year, such as the creation of an orchestra newsletter," Steve said.

Steve considered the NM orchestra one of the tops in Texas "We are one of the best high school orchestras in the state. For example, we were the only orchestra in this region that had the versatility to enter both in the

string and full categories and take first place," Steve said.

Due to lack of time in his college schedule, Steve decided not to play professionally. However, he said, "Orchestra has taught me to appreciate and enjoy different kinds of music, and it has given me knowledge and skills that will be useful to me always."



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## Music

# IN MOTION

What is a world without music? According to Miracle Tutor, it is no world at all! "Playing the cello is a talent that I'll have the rest of my life," she said. "It's a pleasure to have around because everything I do revolves around music. I'd probably cease to exist if music wasn't around."

Orchestra definitely lacked nothing where music was concerned. Frolicsome Finale, Symphony Number One by Beethoven, and the Concerto Number Ten by Corelli were included in the dozens of pieces learned and performed. "I've always liked classical music, but

orchestra has helped increase my appreciation of it," Kyle Morgan said.

Orchestra activity was not all serious performance and competition. Members partied on December 11 at the Orchestra banquet, which was held at the Dallas Hilton.

Roast beef was inhaled as the main course, and baked Alaska topped off the meal as dessert. Orchestra sweetheart,

the title given to senior Karlene Brown, set the icing on the cake for the evening.

Friendship proved to be a major factor in orchestra. Close-knit groups made up the majority of relationships.

**Orchestra is a real asset to me. I like it because of all the people, and it's a blast!**

— Brian Wright

Everyone likes everybody else; we all hang out together, plus we spend a lot of time together preparing for contests and performances," said Chris Kirchmeyer. "Everyone also likes Mr. Minnick because of the way he teaches, and the way he cares for everyone."

Jason Robison agreed. "For the most part we are very close, because we all have basically the same talents and interests," he said.

"Members of the orchestra are very close," said Steve Crabtree. "It is a fairly small, tightly-knit group, and because we are all friends, we work well together. My best friends are all in this group, and I like being around those with similar interests."

Two instruments make harmony as Michelle Boros and Robin Gray rehearse for the last upcoming concert. A year of competition and performance was capped by the senior concert on May 19.

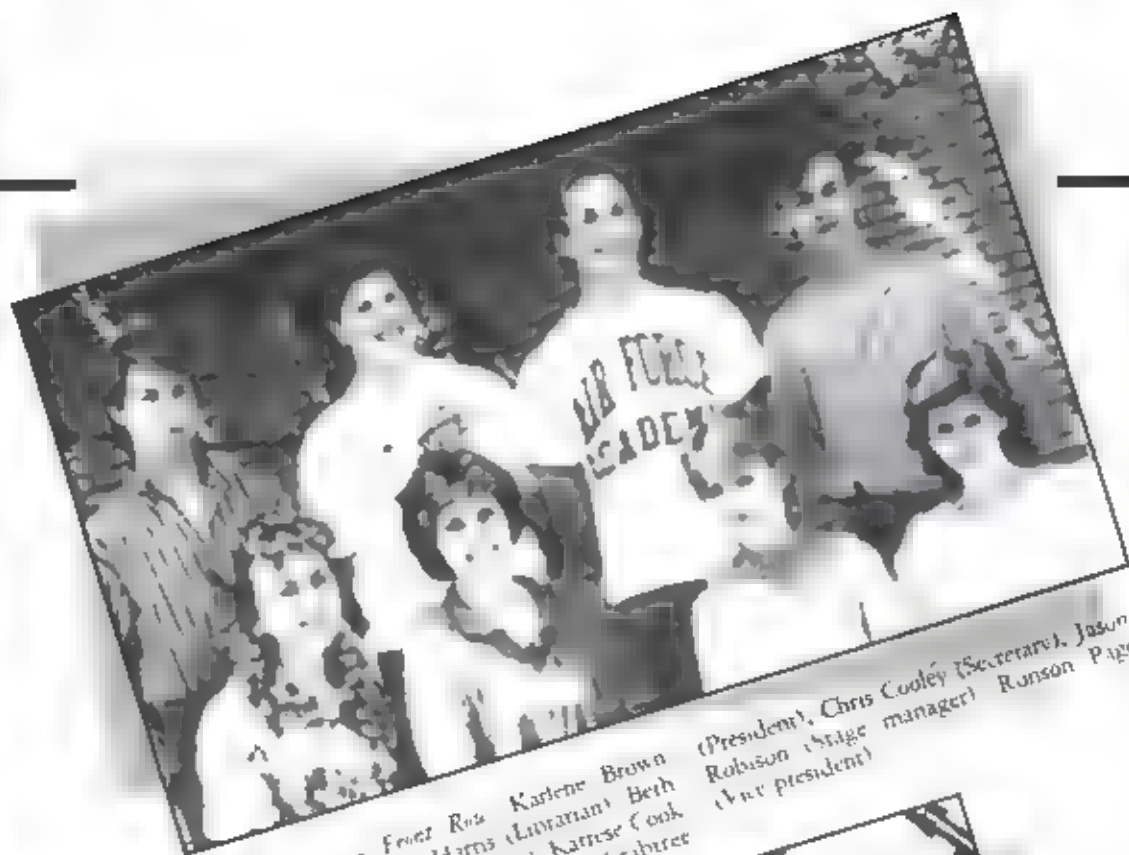


Voices of the double bass can be heard as Patrick Squire and Chris Piland practice the Psalm and Fugue during fourth period rehearsal. Orchestra studied music from the romantic, baroque, and impressionistic periods.

All region is the goal of orchestra librarian Karlene Brown as she practices her parts in the music. Approximately 35 students made it to all-region and two made the all-state orchestra.







Officers — Front Row: Karlene Brown (President), Chris Coolley (Secretary), Jason Robison (Stage manager), Ronson Page (Vice president)  
 Back Row: Susan Harris (Librarian), Beth Ardanowski (Vice president), Karise Cook (Treasurer), Seana Ruiz (Auditor)



After returning from a first place performance in Corpus Christi, it was back down to business for Chris Thompson as he learns his new music. Corpus Christi was the site of the Buccaneer festival where the orchestra competed and got straight ones.

## SWEET INSANITY: *Freedom to Express*



Soft melodies. . . Intricate scales and chords — Could someone be so insane as to love these characteristics present in classical music? One dedicated orchestra member, Beth Ardanowski believes it's true. "Orchestra is pretty cool. Everyone thinks it is boring but they could not be more wrong! We have such freedom to

express ourselves," she said.

Playing the cello for seven years, Beth served as vice president her senior year. "I love playing the cello, because it sounds almost like a human voice, and it is something I can do well," she said.

Good friends and talented members summed up Beth's assessment of the orchestra.

"I like my friends being there," she said. "Not only that, the orchestra itself is awesome! For example, an orchestra in Corpus Christi came to hear us play before they warmed up. They were so overwhelmed with our performance that they got up and left without playing at their scheduled time. That made us feel pretty good!"

# FINIAU

Note

**S**ilence pierced the air. A line of students dressed in black filed into the room. Tears filled their eyes.

It was a time to pay last respects for loved ones. These were not tears of sadness. Those were tears of joy for the final performance of Unity, Chorale, and the NMHS Singers.

Besides tuning up their voices, choir members learned self-discipline, and the values of friendship through the singing program. "Choir has not only helped me make friends, but it has taught me discipline where my voice is concerned," Shauna Jerger said.

"I'm planning to minor in music, and being in Chorale and Unity have helped increase my musical knowledge and develop my music," Debbie Edmundson said.

"I love to sing and I hope that I can find somewhere to sing after high school," Chorale member Tricia Lawson said. "I always try my hardest to keep singing better, because I feel that I can always improve, and Chorale gives me that chance."

Choir members practice daily and work hard. "It's worth all of the hard work, though, because of the end product," Chorale member Terri Reese said. "If we practice hard, we sound good. If we don't, we sound like trash. It's all for the performance."

Occurring on March 8, the Pop Show music ranged from Bach to fusion jazz. "I love concert nights and the days after. It gives you a sense of pride when you work hard on learning something and then perform it well," Erik VanMeter said.

Singers performed at the Fall Concert in October, and a "Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow," sung

by NMHS Singers, set off the Holiday spirit at the Christmas Concert. The UIL Solo and Ensemble competition, on February 20, brought out the competitive spirit in choir members. Unity also performed a 45 minute program in San Antonio on September 20-21 for the annual convention of the Texas Association for School Boards. There, they got together with last year's seniors for a jazzy concert, rounding out the year. "The trip to San Antonio was a blast," Unity member Holly Ehrhridge said. "That's the thing about Unity. It gives you an opportunity to travel, sing more and perform more. I love it!"

Dueting a jazzy tune, Dornie King and Keith Hopkins perform with other choir members at the October Fall Concert. Unity members performed in San Antonio at the convention of the Texas Association for School Boards. Photo by John Woolard.

## Quote

"Choir is good because it's a way for you to express your feelings. We converse and share through music, we rehearse, work on things, and I love being a part of it. Also, if I get to do what I really want to do — sing in a professional choir, the experience in choir here will greatly influence my future."

— Jerrese Carwile



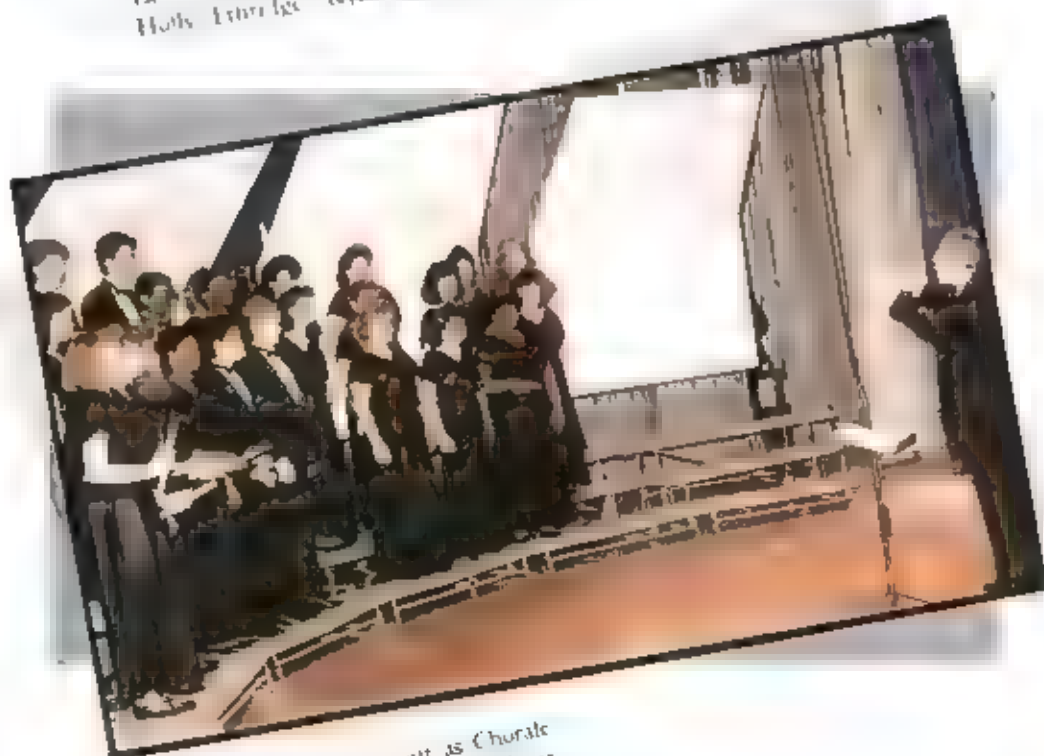
Jamming to Fusion Jazz, Unity members Kyle Rotenberry, James Thigpen, Harworth, Brian Russ, Karen Bailey, Colgrove, Michelle Haley, and Kent E. perform at the Fall Concert held in the auditorium. Besides concerts, choir members also entered in the UIL Solo and Ensemble competition on February 20. NMHS Photo by John Woolard.

With only minutes left for boarding the bus back to NM from Tarrant Park, Karen Bailey and Chris Hoffman prop themselves up against a tree for a last picture. A senior, Karen completed her third year as a Unity member. Photo by Ron Taylor.



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Unit 1: R. James Thompson  
Michelle Haley Keith Higgins Fred Roth  
Larry Compton Karen Butler Gene Fowler  
Holly Lethbridge Amy Rasmussen John



"Deck The Halls" rang out as Chorale led by Tom Council performs at the Christ mas concert. Approximately forty people made up the largest choir group. Photo by John H. Anderson



# TUNING FOR TWO

**G**reat Performances — that is the goal that members of Chorale, Unity, and the NMHS Singers shot for.

Achieving excellence demands hard work, determination, patience, and motivation. Chorale member Glenn Bright said,

Choir is a good learning experience. It is not just a blow off. It takes discipline.

NMHS Singer member Michelle Stewart agreed. Choir is not a perfect organization, but there is a lot to it. It has helped me with my voice in that I've learned more about how to sing, like warming up before performing. Also, I sing in church and my experience in choir has helped me not to be afraid in front of an audience, she said.

"I love to sing," NMHS Singer Dianne Warr said.

When I'm mad, happy, or whatever. I'll sing. It's a form

of self-expression. For instance, you can say in a song what you can't come out and say in conversation.

Other people insisted that choir improved their self-image. Junior Chorale and Unity member Kyle Rutenberry agreed. Choir has helped me with my self-image in that it brings me closer to people that I don't know very well, and it helps to develop a more unified relationship with people that I'm already friends with. Choir also boosts my confidence in being around people, like not being so shy, and in performing in front of an audience," he said.

Others planned, through their choir experience, goals for the future. NMHS Singer Candy Hilliard said, "I want to be a contemporary Christian singer when I get older, and I think being involved in choir has helped. It's like taking voice lessons with a lot of people.

Lasting friendships collected the most votes for the best reason for

being in choir. Unity and Chorale member Chris Hoffman said, "The choirs are sort of like a family. We get to know each other very well and as the year progresses, we learn things about each other, and it draws us closer. Also, Mr. Council is real understanding. Whenever we have a problem, he takes time out and listens to us.

Chorale member Page Burkhalter agreed saying, "Not only has choir expanded me musically, but there are outside benefits as well. In choir, close friendships develop. Performing in concerts and spending two hours together every day causes that to happen — you just can't help making friends in there."

Singing without the sound of instruments, Candy Hilliard and Karna Birdwell perform along with other choir members at the Fall Concert. A tearful song at the Christmas Concert was "Let It Snow." Photo by John W. Ward.

## Quote

"Choir is a great organization to be in for many reasons. First of all, a lot of my friends are in choir. When we go on choir trips together, we get closer. Choir is also fun. It's a real motivational group. Lastly, choir can help with plans for the future. I plan on minoring in music, and the experience in UIL and other contests will really help me."

— Jeri Jeffers



Warming up for rehearsal, Heidi Michelle Stewart, Shauna Jerger, Tami Fink, Stacy Hargrove, Deana Shaw, and Wendy McSpadden prepare for the Show held on March 8. Tryouts were held at school and about forty people made it. Photo by Ron Taylor.

Reviewing their music for the reading section of the UIL Solo and Ensemble Competition, Vanessa Kirby, Tricia Chaney rehearse from The Fall Night-singing Series. NMHS Singers practiced for an hour daily during their preparation for the three judge panel of the UIL competition. Photo by Ron Taylor.



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# BLUE AND WHITE BANNERS

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hey sat on the sidelines until the touchdown was made. The score became 56-14, and the Stallion Battalion walked slowly out to the edge of the field carrying a long banner. They flipped it over, and the stands were filled with applause. The banner read, "If God is not a North Mesquite fan, then why is the sky blue and white?"

The quote was a gimmick we had started a few weeks before, and we decided that the Skeeter game was the right time to show our banner, said Chris Hoffman. The crowd was real responsive, so I think it worked.

Stallion Battalion was originally intended to guard Spirit, the horse, but they became an

extension of the cheerleaders. "We used to just push Spirit around after the touchdowns," said Jason Ganze. "We decided it would be neat if we cheered along with the cheerleaders and helped them out."

Stallion Battalion members helped the cheerleaders with cheers by instigating the chants, lifting the cheerleaders on their shoulders to form pyramids, and keeping the crowd from getting too rowdy.

Stallion Battalion became the ultimate spirit team," Torrey Pocock said. Their duties expanded to pushing Spirit around before the game, sounding the siren, and carrying the NM flag.

I enjoyed carrying the flag, because it felt as if we were a conquering nation raising their victory flag," Kyle Rotenberry said.

Carrying the flag gives us a sense of recognition," said president Marco Mauricio. "Everybody

is looking at you, but their focus is on the flag."

To me, Stallion Battalion was a way to get involved in the games," said Torrey. "It gave me a different perspective by being on the sidelines instead of just cheering from the stands."

Playoff time gave the members an added bonus of spirit. The crowds were already hyped up," said Chris. "All we had to do was keep them going."

"Stallion Battalion became a vital ingredient in NM spirit," said Jason. "I'm glad we had something to shout about."

Following one of the eight touchdowns made during the Mesquite game, Stallion Battalion members display a banner proclaiming, "If God is not a North Mesquite fan, then why is the sky blue and white?" Smaller versions of the same slogan were placed on bulletin boards throughout the school during football season.

## Quote

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— Kyle Rotenberry



Keeping spirits high, Torrey Pocock rows a cheerleader's megaphone to cheer. Torrey and mascot Erik Vandy were notorious for their pep talks during fourth lunch.

Issuing the pre-game rita, the Stallion Battalion races Spirit across the field led by the NM flag. The traditional pre-game spurred the spirits of the crowd and them ready for the opening kickoff.





At one of the two pep rallies, Paul Woods, other Stallion Battalion members and the cheerleaders gather around Spirit to sing the school song. Traditionally, the seniors make their last visit to the middle of the gym, although Stallion football continues for 2-3 weeks in playoffs.



**Stallion Battalion** Bottom row: Torrey Pocock, Travis Ruzicka, Derrick Alexander, Chris Hoffman, Kyle Terry, Druy Le, Jeff James. Second row: Steve Grispie, Lance Morgan, Paul Woods, Chris Brogan, Michael Hunter, Dennis Putnam, Heather Price, Kyle Rotenberry. Third row: Ron Daniels (sponsor), Richard Sepulveda, Bobby Cain, Marco Mauricio (president), Mike Morrow (vice president), Erin Mattingly (sweetheart), Jason Gantz (treasurer), Mike Klein, Jason Robinson, Terry Beshers. Back row: Mike Gormens, Billy Cross, Frank Dammanno, Jamie Stiff.

# FAITH

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**I**t's okay to be a good kid," Boy's F.C.A. sponsor Steve Bragg said. The activities and togetherness of F.C.A. proves this statement as the activities of the F.C.A. are traced.

The majority of the F.C.A. members live a life which resembles everything that the Fellowship of Christian Athletes stands for, Jenny Jones said.

Sports functions like Maverick Night, Ranger Night, and the State Convention International Conference, which is an athletic meet for F.C.A. groups around the metroplex are examples of activities sponsored by the Dallas Chapter of the F.C.A. in the name of good, clean fun.

"We are all close friends and we all have fun no matter what we do," Katy Thomas said.

Girls F.C.A. also sponsors activities such as the Student

Directories and the Student/Faculty Volleyball Game.

F.C.A. and F.C.M. have meetings usually twice a month which consist of Bible Study and open discussion of experiences, beliefs, and other topics of interest such as drugs, alcohol, and how to handle success. F.C.A. meetings also had guest speakers like local athletes or coaches usually the first meeting of each month. Meetings were held each week with attendance varying depending on students' schedules.

"In meetings you open up and talk about things that are sometimes embarrassing, but you open up because you know everyone else usually has the same thoughts and feelings," Julie Paul said.

F.C.M. meetings were held after school in the choir room or at someone's house with refreshments provided.

A Christmas Party was held December 5th at Chad Miller's house where nineteen members attended.

Because F.C.M. is a united group of Christians, their interest in music serves only as a common

foundation of their fellowship.

The Fellowship has shown its members that they can turn to each other and their beliefs in time of need, which is what a Fellowship is all about.

"The F.C.A. has taught me that an athlete does not have to drink or take drugs to fit in with other people," Chuck Hill said.

Whether it's athletes or musicians, they all share the security of a close relationship with Christ and fellow Christians with common interests.

The Fellowship has shown me that no matter what happens, I have the strength to face my future and make it better, Kathe DeFelice said.

Making plans for the F.C.M. Christmas Party, Joy Hutchinson and Karen Gordon sit at the Piano in the choir room. Officers were also elected at this meeting. Photo by Kyle Herron.

## Quote

"F.C.A. has helped me so much. It has taught me that an athlete does not have to drink or take drugs to fit in with other people."

— David Allen



Sitting in the choir room, Kerry Davis and Michele Mays listen as F.C.M. speaker John Kane speaks about F.C.M. This was the first meeting of the year. Photo by Kyle Herron.

Reading from the Bible, Scott Apple speaks to F.C.A. students in the gym. He spoke about drugs and alcohol. Photo by Kyle Herron.



**BOY'S F.C.A.** — *First Row:* Robert Jones, Corby Chesy, Marcus Gray, Marc Leoni. *Second Row:* Chris Knight, Chuck H. *Third Row:* Stewart Lewis, David Allen, Shane Davis, Steve Bragg (Sponsor)



**GIRL'S F.C.A.** — *First Row:* M. Javita Burren, Amy Lagadinos, Kathy Debelice, Kay Thomas, Chesy Ledford, Robin Rhodes. *Second Row:* Julie Van Vessum, Misty Goodman, Shannon Westphal, Lynn Phalin, Amy Monroe. *Third Row:* Pollye Thorneberry, Cindi Chapin, Niki Rodgers, Carol Ardanowski, Jenny Jones, Shana Newsome. *Fourth Row:* Karen Clark, Stacy Hargrove, Michelle McGinnis, Julie Paul, Jane Burns



**F.C.M.** — *First Row:* Karen Gordon, Amy Burgess, Joy Hutchins, Jeff Hale, Chad Miller, Kim Rowe, Jeff Lovaas, Andre King. *Second Row:* Kerry Davis, Jennifer Carwell, Amy Monroe, Aaron Workman, Melissa Brooks. *Third Row:* Christy Sparrow, Sherry Thomason, Christy Hobbs, Roz Romine, Robin Hopkins, Dale Scroggins, Beth Ardanowski, Chad Moore. *Fourth Row:* Leanne Knowles, Christy Cunningham, Regina Leonard, Amy Robinson, Jennifer Copin, Jay Taylor, Christy Carlisle, John Perez. *Fifth Row:* Monica Seabolt, Stacy Hargrove, Cindy Perry, Stephen Gerstung, Brian Nix, Chris Hoffman. *Sixth Row:* Chris Karshnute, Ronnie Gunstanson, James Lambeth, Mark Tillery, James Thigpen, Brad Holt



# TWO PATHS ONE GOAL

**F**lying down the halls at lightning speed with papers in hand, Office Workers dash down the halls to and fro summoning students to the office by the command of the dreaded "blue slip."

"Being an Office Worker, I am available to help make the principals' and secretaries' jobs easier by running errands and taking messages," Lee Anne Henri said.

As if running errands for the principals and secretaries wasn't enough to keep Office Workers busy for the period, they also delivered notes, filed papers, alphabetized, and called parents of absent students.

Keeping the library in working order is the main task of the Library Workers. With a world of books to be straightened, checked out, checked in, put away, and restraightened, their job leaves little time for boredom.

"I feel being an Office Worker is useful because I get to see how an office is run," Kristin Salas said.

Tasks performed by workers benefit them as well as the school by teaching them secretarial skills, management, office procedures, organization, responsibilities, and, "How to alphabetize! Finally!" as Office Worker Mark Jones put it.

Standing behind the Stallions for thirteen weeks during football season, the Art Club painted run-throughs to be sent to their destruction by the football players on Friday Nights.

"We've been selling buttons, printing sweatshirts, helping cheerleaders, and making money for the Art Club at the same time," Nathan Hoang said.

Art Club also printed shirts for 50¢ and sold buttons for 75¢ in their efforts to "Take State."

Art Club also visited some Dallas and Ft. Worth art museums throughout the year.

The busy activities of the Art Club helped them to communicate and interact with other students and activities enhance their interest for the arts and culture.

The Art Club has given me a sense of pride, a sense of responsibility, and a sense of character," Quang Nguyen said.

Whether it's taking care of "Thing to Do" or making run-throughs, these students did their part while learning responsibilities and the skills they will need to obtain their goals.

"Clubs develop a sense of character that allows you to be in an atmosphere as enthusiastic as the real world," Art Club member Donna Seachord said.

Finishing up the final details, Art Club members Russel Ferrell and Aaron Monk paint the Stallion poster. This remained in the cafeteria for the remainder of the football season. Photo by George Thixton.

## Quote

"I like coming to the Art Club because it is an adventure. It's the toughest job I ever loved!"

— Kim Gunn



Ready to stamp Alex Reyes' book, Heshers waits as he fills out necessary information. Library hours were 7:30 to 8:30 P.M. each school day. Photo by George Thixton.

Making a list and checking it off, Marlene Waters and Juac Owen call parents of absent students. Office Workers were responsible for doing this daily. Photo by George Thixton.



**Library Workers** - *Front Row* - Candy Hilliard, Angela Pearce, Jennifer Magness, Mary Beshers, *Second Row* - Cheryl Hearn, Patricia Baird, Christine Beattie, Shelley Snider, Tina O'Quinn, *Third Row* - Ann

Flowers Librarian - Kim Frank, Laura Mark, Ly Coner, Linda Sturgeon, Marianne Flowers Librarian - Armando Alvarez



**Office Workers** - *Front Row* - Jennifer Pennington, Kim Sogard, Shatta Thorp, Jennifer Schwan, Lisa Mahon, *Second Row* - Lisa Mahon, Cary Cranfield, Kristen Saks, Karen Bales, Amanda Vahrmugh, Susette

Rose, *Third Row* - Lynn Driggers, Michelle, Lacey, Angie Kester, Linda Yeungman, Tamara Crutchfield, Lori Weathery, *Fourth Row* - Mark Jones, Ramond Martinez, Brandon David Allen



**Art Club** - *First Row* - Donna Seaboard, Kim Gunn, Kristy Lewis, Mark Leone, *Second Row* - Vivian Alvarez, Melissa Cunha, Mike Mundy, Aaron Mark, Marco

Mauro, Cathy Brady, *Third Row* - Christine Nguyen, Russel Ferrell, Nathan Hoang, Quang Nguyen



# STARS

Arriving at the school between 6:00 and 6:45, students waited in line to see if they would even make it on the limited list to NASA.

"I got to school at 6:45 A.M. and there were already twenty people ahead of me too!" Shana McLarry said.

Aviation students waited for the "limited list" people to arrive. They would then board the 7:30 flight to begin their adventure to NASA.

Landing at the Houston Hobby Airport, students immediately boarded the bus to NASA. It was then that the students realized that two students, Paige Burkhalter and Charla Gervers, were missing.

Leaving Glenda Pinkston, the Aviation and Biology II teacher and sponsor, behind to find the strayed students, the rest of the students went on to NASA where they attended lectures. Ms. Pinkston brought Paige and Charla in later.

Attending lectures and seeing exhibits, as many as Ms. Pink-

"Our schedule was a hectic one. We were busy from the time we got off the plane in Houston until the time we got on the plane to go back to Dallas."

— Debbie Honus

ston could cram into a day, was the agenda for the rest of the day at NASA.

"It was a BLAST! The people and the excitement of the trip made it fun," Terri Reese said.

As if forking out fifty-five dollars to Ms. Pinkston for

plane and bus fare was not expensive enough, students were required to bring at least fifteen more dollars for lunch at NASA and dinner at Ninfas on the way back to the airport.

"We paid about seventy-five dollars but that was cheap for everything we saw," Kim Dill said.

Although their adventures in Houston ended in an hour long wait for a delayed plane, this did not put a damper on the students' day.

"We made it fun when we sang 'You Lost That Loving Feeling' to two girls at the Houston Airport," Todd Iacolino said.

Observing a mock up of the lab of the space station to be launched in 1991, Ms. Sharon Kelley showed students Lisa Foster, Amy Burgess, and Shirley Cherman the sleeping quarters and other machinery for the astronauts. Students saw several models including a scaled model of the space station. *Photo by John Holt*



Exploring the hangar at Ellington Airforce Base, Meredith Harris and Michelle Boyd look into the rear engine of a T-38. They visited Ellington before going back to the Airport. *Photo by John Holt*

Seeing exhibits at NASA, students Franco Diaz and Tina O'Neal look in the window of a Space Module. Students saw many exhibits like this one throughout the day. *Photo by John Holt*







Sitting near the wing, Micheal Jasck and Michelle Boyd wait for the plane to depart on their voyage to Houston. The plane left D/FW Airport at about 7:30. Photo by John Holt



Aerospace Aviation - First Row: Mike Hornbuckle, Pam Lutz, Shana Maxwell, Merrie Miller, Se and Row, Brad Hall, Kevin Sieha, Chris Moore, Brian Ford, Ken Penherton, Third Row: Jimmy Lambright, Richard Penington, Ruth Holt, Scott Harper, Patrick Row, Todd Jackson, Teresa McMillan, Brandon Johnson, Frank G. G. Fifth Row: Gary Barry (co-sponsor), Glenda Pinkston (sponsor)



Science Club - First Row: Matt Goodman, Cate Rawls, Beth Anderson, Rurain Page, Scott Scholten, Julie Rynia, Ms. Alessa Brandler, Second Row: Michelle Bords, Jenny Bishop, Jill Lums, Shana McLain, Kimberly Jack, Donnie Hagan, Michelle Haley, Third Row: Patty Leon, Monica Smith, Tira Chapman, Debra Coker, Kristi Leford, Jennifer Pettman, Ross McGary, Amy Giv, Fourth Row: Cassandra Johnson, Stephanie Erwin, Craig Burgen, Stacey Spence, Kathy Black, Danielle Cline, Lisa Foster, Fifth Row: Kaitlyn Cook, Math Clinger, Anita Mandani, Cynthia Petter, Jennifer Whitlock, Rhoda Nauman, Todd Neese, Jennifer Whitlock, Rhoda Nauman, Amy Ellis, Kari Roudon, Karen McMillan, Kacy Thomas, Travis Steen, Kathy Baird, Michelle Bond, Paula Prase, Seventh Row: Matt Monico, Beatty Ream, Shawn Brown, Ben Kruger, Ronnie Gustafson, Matt Wolfgang, Lewis Martin



Science Club - First Row: Kim Smith, Tina Calhoun, Pernell Wall, Lisa Herring, Paul Smith, Stephanie Nguyen, Hober Casey, Cindy Knapton, Lisa Rodriguez, Second Row: Shana Knapton, Kaitlyn Cook, Monica Tachich, James J. Sean Duncan, Karen Coker, Monica Calachio, Stephanie Bell, Kim Southern, Tonya Row, W. J. Fife, Jennifer Eaves, Tonya Yoon, Cheryl Moore, Stan Benji, Benji Bradshaw, Tina Christ, David Hanson, Fourth Row: David Barnett, Jay Martin, Aaron Workman, Lisa Walker, Peter Shupman, Jennifer Ownby, Julie Posen, Leanne Kooner, Fifth Row: Stacey Beers, Melissa Vin, derwald, Coby Sanders, John Holt, Jennifer Brooks, Janice Harris, Tom Shupley, Sixth Row: V. J. An Averet, Michelle Taylor, Kuran Varghese, Matthew Peter, Jessica Roberts, Jason Fitch, Pam MaKay, Billy Hudgers, Seventh Row: Philip Wanger, Kenny Palmer, Frank Pollard, John Renner, Brian Smith, Doreen Miley, Ryan Page, Derek Bever

READ BETWEEN  
THE

# LINES

In the sophisticated and complicated world of employment, students are finding that being in the work groups is opening doors to some occupations, and closing doors to others.

"Most of my students stay in health-related occupations," H E C E sponsor Lynnell Prater said.

Most of the students going into work groups plan on sticking with that particular occupation.

Being in O E A has made me set my goal to being the best I can be, Kristy Henry said.

Moving up in the company that they were employed with was a popular goal for students in D E C A which deals with marketing and distribution of products.

D E C A is giving me the opportunity to learn about marketing and this experience will help me move up in Mervyn's," Shannon Warwood said.

Other students want to stay in a similar retail atmosphere

and work up to a management position.

Students in H E C F see a career in the child care field

"Being a part of a work group has made me establish a more clear view of what the working world is all about."

— Christy Flint

which opens a wide range of opportunities in anything from day care to teaching.

"I plan to go to Stephen F Austin and major in secondary education as an elementary school teacher," Lynn Stephens said.

Other students find their experiences working with children will benefit them with their

own children later in life rather than in their careers.

"Although I plan to go to Eastfield to become a secretary, this work group will help me when I become a mother," Mindy Foster said.

Restaurants and fast-food chains make up the majority of the job opportunities available in the food occupations, another branch of H E C E.

This program will help me obtain my future goals by showing me how to get along with others," Heather Livingston said.

With a world of people struggling to get ahead, O E A students find they have the advantage in the hectic world of business.

"O E A is giving me a headstart by helping me to get on my own two feet in life," Roxann Dornon said.

Another student said O E A provides a chance at real work.

Sitting on the floor, children listen as Hope Masters at Quail Hollow Private School reads the children an afternoon story. She worked with three to four year-old children. Photo by John Wollard.



Following an order at Del Taco, Shelley Hanson prepares the food for the customer. This was the major part of her duties. Photo by John Wollard.

Working at Swamp Jaw, Brian Brown serves a customer a Cajun delicacy. Brian worked at the Cajun restaurant as a waiter. Photo by John Wollard.







Helping a customer select merchandise, Sean Kerr points out the everyday low price of a jewelry box. Customer service was a major part of his job. Photo by Joan Woodard



**DELA** First Row: Tina Maddox (president), Kent Vonack (reporter), Sonia Naamur, Brenda West, Faith Perry, Hope Perry, Christina Agnew, Second Row: Janet Pace, Tina Watson, Sabrina Owens, James Eagerstrom, David Spousel, Shan-

non Wawoua, Third Row: Robert Beyer, Sherry Gries, Earnest McCarthen, Jason T. Looan, Chris Bravies, Jeremy Foster, Bob Pierce (sponsor), Fourth Row: Mark Vrzak, Jesse Grace, Sam Maxon, Bobby Weiss, Jerry Eyster



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Montgomery, Ann Stokes, Third Row: Monica Miner, Debbie Stavelly, Shannon Terrell, Merry Meyer, Dawn Lawson, Jennifer Burrows, Fourth Row: Cathy Shaver, Raeann Dornon, Bobby Walker, Robbie Luck (sponsor)



# PACE

Depression . . . Drug Abuse  
AIDS . . . Drunk Driving  
Suicide — problems that  
have drifted down from adult  
society to the teenager's genera-  
tion — are topics attacked by  
the two groups, Just Say No  
and the Speech and Debate  
Club.

Leading the assault on  
drugs and alcohol is Just  
Say No. "In Just Say  
No, we teach elemen-  
tary kids that they can  
have fun without  
drugs," club treasurer Amy  
Guy said.

On December 14, the club  
stormed into action at Florence  
Black Elementary with their  
presentations, "Pill Donahue  
and Drugs Have No Boun-  
daries." Presentations for the  
Wilkinson PTA, a crime watch  
meeting at Poteet, and a  
demonstration at City Lake  
Park rounded out the year. "I  
really believe that we helped  
some of the kids, especially  
when they write us letters that  
say they won't do drugs or  
alcohol because of what we  
taught them. That really makes

me feel good," club president  
Kim Gumm said.

Showing off their spirit of

"Through  
our presenta-  
tions, kids get a  
better understanding  
that drugs are not ac-  
quainted with just 'druggies'.  
We want the kids to realize  
that it is a real problem  
in our country."  
— Frank  
Pollard

fun without drugs or alcohol,  
Just Say No celebrated Hallo-  
ween and Christmas with Just  
Say No celebrated Halloween  
and Christmas with movies,  
chips and dips, cokes, cake,  
far-out costumes, and a rapp-  
ing, DJ Jason Wright in two,  
crazy galas. They also built  
school spirit selling spirit bags  
November 2-6.

Speech and Debate Club  
members approached social  
topics using a different  
technique.

"I really like debating. I get  
interested in the topics, and I  
like standing for what I believe,  
which is what you do — prove  
your side," Jason Wright said.

The debate class is one  
in which we further  
public speaking skills.  
We learn that com-  
munication is the  
most intrinsic quality of  
America," club president  
Jason Haddock said.

Among many activities, the  
club went to tournaments. At  
the Newman Smith tourna-  
ment, Walt Moran received a  
trophy for being one of the best  
debaters in the state of Texas.  
Hosting a tournament and a  
rummage sale completed a year  
of ethical bravery.

Spicing up the party, Just Say No  
member Carol Skeltun opens a can of  
pizante sauce for their Halloween bash.  
Skits presented at Florence Black and  
Wilkinson were other activities that  
gave the group a chance to voice their  
cause against drugs and alcohol abuse.  
*Photo by John Holt*



Putting in their two cents worth, Just Say No members Candy Hulard, Karen Clark, and Monica Calcechio watch other members practice their skits. The skits presented by club members for elementary kids included "Pill Donahue" and "Drugs Have No Boundaries." *Photo by John Holt*

Stuffing a pinata with candy. Just Say No members Monica Calcechio, Amy Guy, and sponsor Jennifer Parks get ready for their Halloween bash. One of the club's other less serious activities included a January trip to see "Less Than Zero." *Photo by John Holt*





**Just Say No** First Row: Amy Gray (Treasurer), Candy Hill (Clerk), Sue Hill (Vice-President), Julie St. John, Monica Carochie, Vivian Avato, Kari Clark, Jay Lee, Seabert, Tina R. K. Fisher, H. G. Smith, President, Debbie Flores, Frank Padilla, Stephanie, Secretary, Jennifer Parks, Sponsor.



**Speech and Debate Club** First Row: Jason Haddock (Pres.), Michael Grindal (Debate Captain), John Todd (C.E. Captain), Walt Moran (Secretary), Wendy K. A. Treasurer, Julie St. John (Librarian), Michelle Naps, Second Row: Pam Washington, Jennifer Perriman, Shana McClary, Pam Dismore, Michele Robinson, Nova, Bl. C. Curcio, Heather (Sponsor), Third Row: Robin, Kara, Carolyn, Eric, Jennifer Brooks, Tracy, Mary, Laura, Grindal, Christy, Haywood, Michael, Sakathia, Fourth Row: Jane, M. J. A. J. D., Gregory, Rodney, Barry, Jody, Holsenbeck, Fifth Row: Scott, Mely, M. H., Reagan, Pat, G. K. Jason Wright.



"Take My Boyfriend Please" was the name of the prose piece presented at the South Grand Speech Tournament by Speech and Debate club member Julie Stockard. The Speech team also attended tournaments at South Grand Prairie, Newman Smith, and Skyline. Photo by George Johnston.



Stranding strong: Speech and Debate club member Laura Mayes presents her Educational Reforms project at rotary club speech. Those presented in January were requested by each student and graded for mid term. Photo by John H.

# Writing

On December the second, Sarah Boling's alarm clock buzzed at 7:30 a.m. She flew to the shower, crammed in some breakfast on the way to the car, and sped to school. Her stomach churned a little as she walked through the school she had never seen before to find her classes. Earlier, she had applied for the *Pony Express* staff. Now she wondered if she would fit in, and would be able to do her job well.

This same incident occurred with several new additions on the *Pony Express*.

"I joined newspaper, because I was in it at Skyline. When I came here, everyone was nice and helpful. I've learned much, and I believe it will help me in the future," Moraima Natera said.

Sophomore Laura Alexander agreed. "I've met many people through newspaper, and it has helped me in my writing skills and some in asserting myself," she said.

Out-of-town staffers were not the only new thing about the *Pony Express*. Junior Christie Kralik took over executive editorial responsibilities for the first time in *Pony Express* history.

Being editor and just being on the staff is difficult. There's always

1987 as the first sophomore and now as a junior.

"Newspaper is a challenge. Some of it is easy. Some is hard, depending on the story, and the tremendous amount of work," Debbie said.

Additional people and different grades did not make up the only new qualities of the newspaper.

Sports editor Greg Good said,

"We have one of the best high school papers. It's more developed and professional looking. We even have a new Macintosh computer which helps us do better designs and graphics."

Photographer Editor Tracy Baxter agreed. "Considering all of the hard work we put into it, it's a good paper. We're the only high school paper in the Mesquite area that puts out once a month. Other schools only publish five or six times a year," she said.

"When I come here last year I didn't know anyone. Through being on newspaper, I was able to meet people, and develop my writing skills."

Chris Moore

lots of work to be done and it's time consuming. But, I've liked being on the staff, because we get privileges that other students don't have. It's taught me interviewing skills and how to better get along with people," Christie Kralik said.

Debbie Hammer commanded the managing editor position in

Checking her layout measurements, managing editor Debbie Hammer prepares the movie reviews for the March issue. Debbie kept an eye on the centerspread, the production of J-1, and co-helping the executive editor.



Editor Christy Kralik signs a friend's senior scrapbook during the last week of school. Christy was the first junior ever to become editor on the *Pony Express*.



Cropping a basketball picture, sports news editor Chris Moore prepares a paste-up for the February 26 deadline. Among other feature stories, Chris covered the Soccer team victory in defense of its district title.





Checking to see which companies had not payed their advertising bid. Sergio Espinoza looks up their addresses and phone numbers. Sergio's staff position included setting up, taking, and developing photographs.



**Pony Express** — *Front Row:* Christie Kraak (Executive editor), Debbie Hammer (Managing editor), Joel Joseph (Features editor), Lisa Freeman (Ads), Greg Good (Sports editor), Tracy Baxter (Photography editor), Chris Moore (Sports feature editor). *Second Row:* Mike Ennis (News Editor), Stacy Goets (Editorials editor), Stacy Spears

(Staff writer), Stacy Johnson (Business manager), Tanya Wiley (Business manager), Johnathan Lightfoot (Staff photographer), Sergio Espinoza (Staff photographer). *Third Row:* Christie Sparrow (Staff writer), Sarah Briley (Editorials editor), Marc Leone (Staff artist), Cherie Visage, Donna Seachord (Staff writer).



Photography editor Tracy Baxter evaluates photo assignment sheets for the February 26 deadline. Tracy's responsibilities were printing and labeling pictures, and identifying all photos.

# SCHEDULES

THOSE DREADED

"Oh, no! I lost my quad-pak!"

"Are you even close to making this deadline?"

"This picture is grainy!"

"Please, Mr. Taylor, this copy has just the right number of characters!"

Personalities, schedules, and attitudes between yearbook staffers clashed on deadline day.

"Boy, is that an understatement," said Jason Drummond, "Tension held back for weeks finally boiled over at deadline time."

"Deadlines are pretty stressful," said Holly Casey. "Even though it's a hectic time, it's worth it all in the end when we know we've worked our hardest and done a good job on the yearbook."

Staffers were pushed to meet seven deadlines. But all the hard work paid off when the staff received an award from the Interscholastic League Press Conference, the All-American award from the National Scholastic Press

Association, and a first place from the Columbia Press Association

*"I wanted to be in a class that would expand my knowledge and way of thinking. Yearbook has fulfilled that expectation, and I'm glad to be involved."*

—Jennifer Mastin

Awards are nice, but the real test of a successful book is through sales. "We did a pretty good job of selling subscriptions," said Jenny Miles. "We sold about 70 percent to the student body."

Staffers learned about yearbook production at Eastfield in the summer. Senior staffers developed the theme there and new staf-

fers learned basic year-book processes. "I learned a lot at workshop. Things that I knew nothing about became old hat to me," Amy Guy said. Amy, whose job will be editor for 1989, learned quickly how to pitch in and help, as the "people" section required new and additional design to finish the section. Some designs were completed in as few as two days

All work and no play was not the idea for any staff member. Staffers "pigged out" at four pizza parties. Old Spaghetti Warehouse and Westend Market-place held treats for the mouth and sights for the eyes as the site for the staff banquet. "I had a great time at the banquet," said Kyle Herron, "and enjoyed running around the Westend."

Searching for ideas, co-editors Michelle Chapman and Holley Casey look through Time magazine to find designs for the 88 Trailblazer. Both Michelle and Holley were three year staffers. Photo by George Thixton



Preparing for a sports deadline, John Holt, John Forneto, and George Thixton inspect negatives. All black and white photographs were done at the school lab by student photographers. Photo by George Thixton

To choose the right picture for the final spread is a difficult task for advisor Ron Taylor, Amy Heaps, and John Woolard. Careful study of negatives paid off in selecting the best pictures to make up the 1988 Trailblazer. Photo by George Thixton





Meeting deadlines are tough for staffers, as was the situation for Kim Rusaw and Kyle Herron when they select pictures for the May '77 deadline. Staffers also selected an out of the ordinary yearbook t-shirt. Photo by George Thixton



**Trailblazer Staff** — *Front Row:* Holley Casey, Michelle Chapman, Amy Heaps, John Romero, Kyle Herron *Second Row:* Tammy Romero, Kim DeLeon, George Thuxton, Jennifer Mastin

*Third Row:* Jenny Miles, Kim Rusaw, Amy Guy, Michelle Today, Jennifer Perryman, Julie Reyna *Fourth Row:* Shawn Dry, Jason Drummond, John Hob, John Woolard



Three's a crowd as Julie Reyna, Amy Guy and Kim DeLeon stack up style sheets to toss out ideas for the May 25 deadline. Other staff activities included pizza parties, ad sales, and a banquet at the Old Spaghetti Warehouse. Photo by George Thixton

Selecting negatives and typing are the inevitable duties of every deadline which is performed by Tammy Romero, Michelle Today, Jennifer Perryman, and Jennifer Mastin. Other duties include interviewing, and drawing up quad-paks. Photo by George Thixton



Rough drafts, croppers, and rulers were common items for Shawn Dry, Jenny Miles, and Jason Drummond as they form a round table to work on their deadlines. Staffers were required to make their own design, and write their own captions and copy. Photo by George Thixton



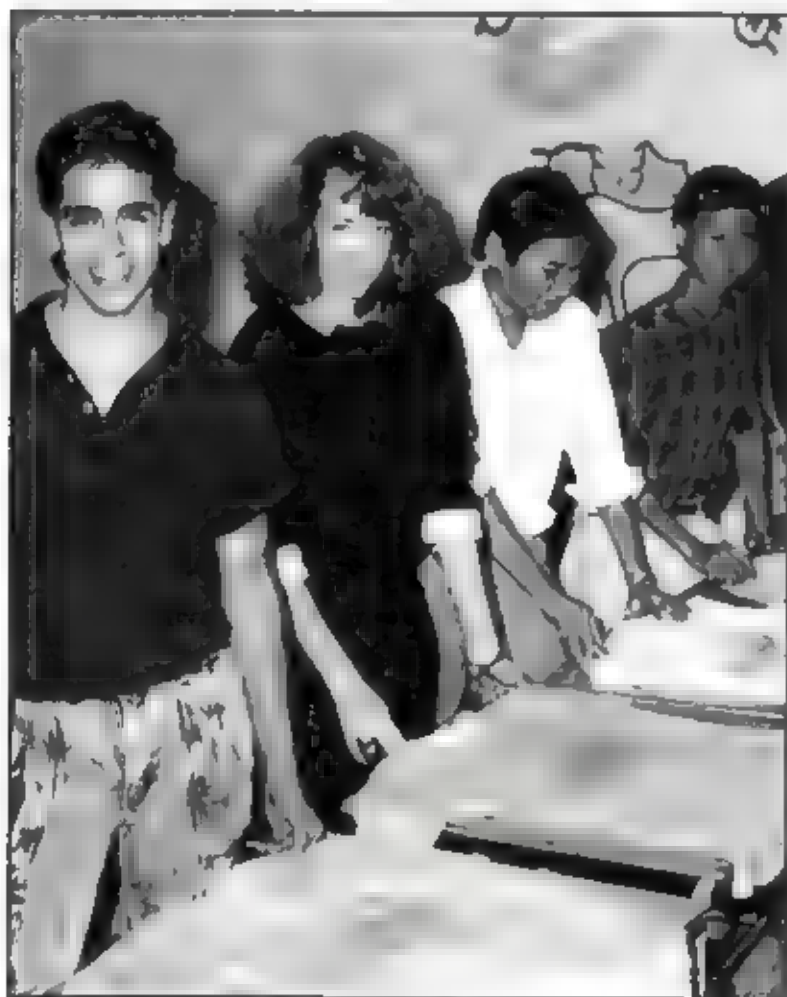
## Out for the Community

A community is more than just a structured set of buildings. It is made up by the people who live there. The community will become whatever the people in it make it.

Each year our local merchants are bombarded with requests for sponsorship for the yearbook, and other money projects. Each year, somehow, most businesses manage to "give" and "support" the school.

Community population on a whole makes things happen for the school. Businesses support us financially through taxes, but more importantly they support us with a "spirit." Whether appearing in the stands for a football game or sending roses for a job well done to the Stallion State Runner-Up Girl's Basketball team. We were supported through the year with a sense of spirit and pride.

We felt the outside response and somehow saw the world beyond the school walls as a place where we belonged and that we made up.



Showing support by offering time and talent, art students Jesse Colwill, Jennifer Ross, Nathan Hoang, and Quang Nguyen help paint T-shirts and sweatshirts for the student body to show support for the 9-5A District winning Stallion football team.

Celebrating a 36-1 season, Coach Donna Capps and the girls basketball team cut the 400 pound spirit cake furnished by Staggs Alpha Beta. Two thousand one hundred and fifty students managed to get a piece during fourth period lunch. Photo by Ron Taylor

"When players look up in the stands and see everyone wearing blue and yelling until they're hoarse, they know we're behind them and they seem to fight even harder."

— Caroline Small, 12



Caroline Small





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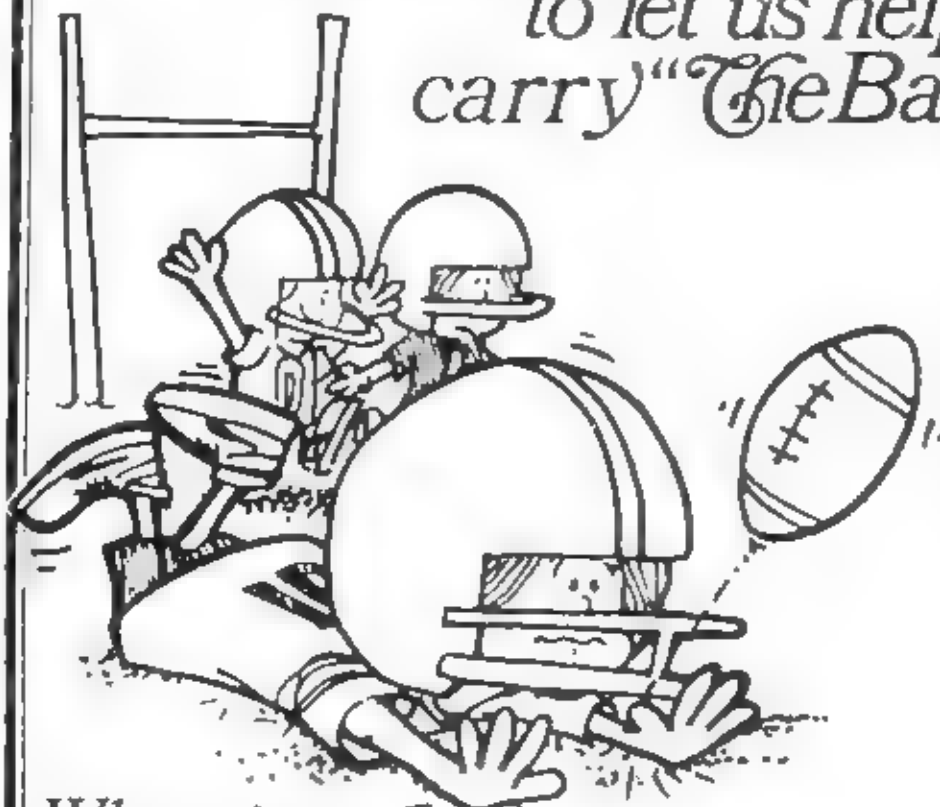
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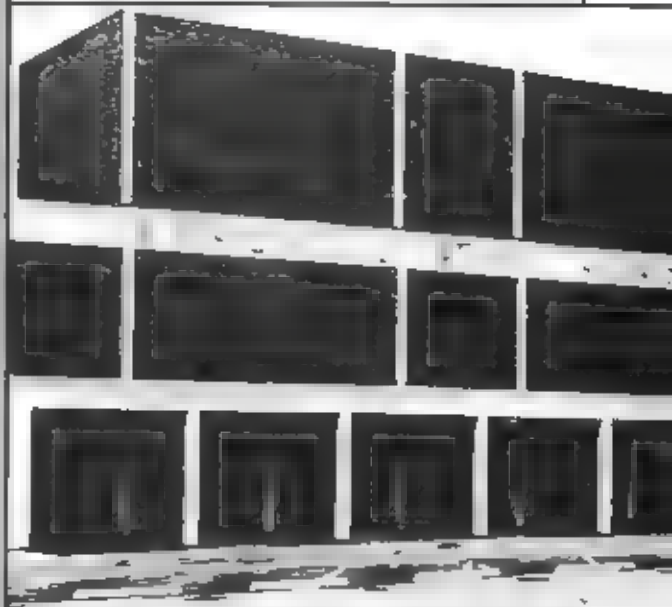
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Grades — 9-12

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School Colors: Black and  
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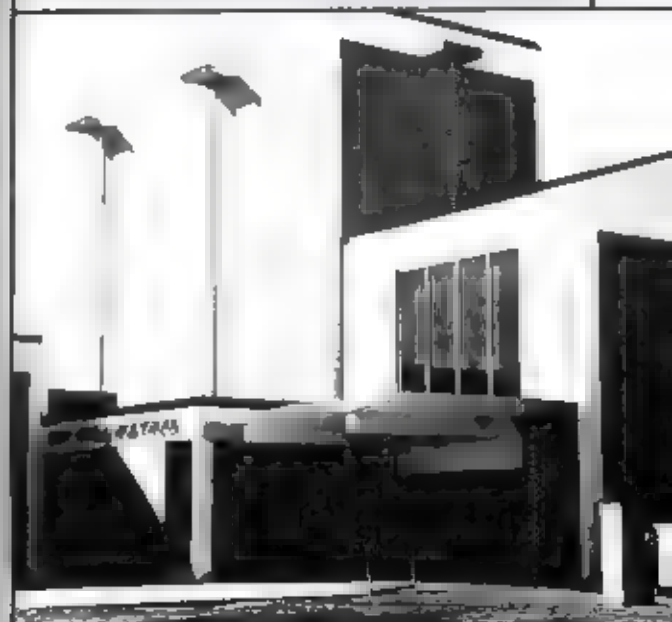
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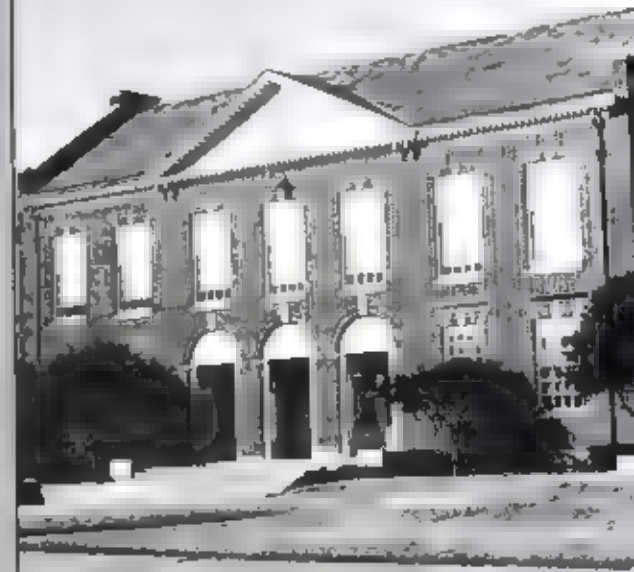
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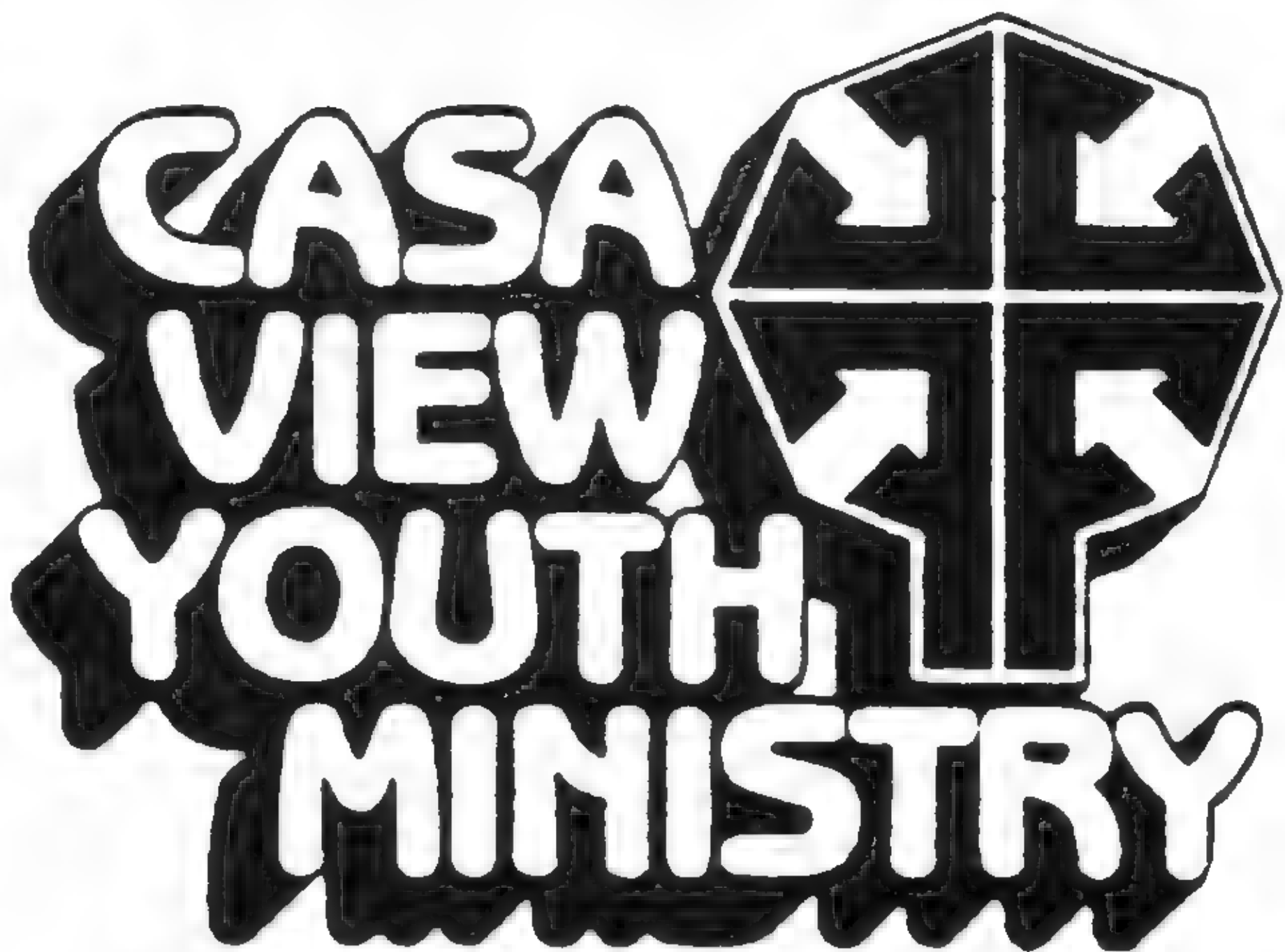
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Student — 1370

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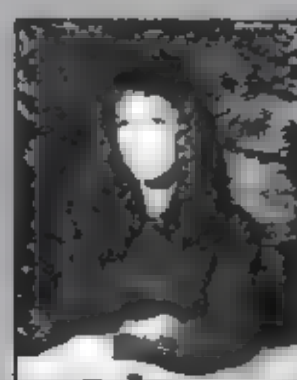
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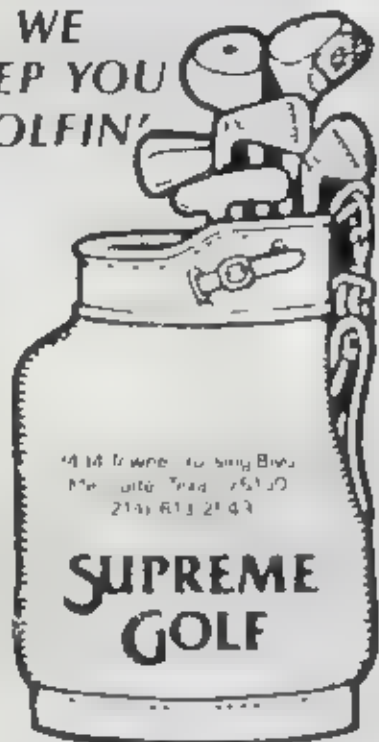
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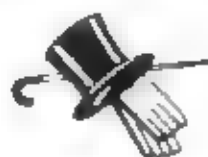


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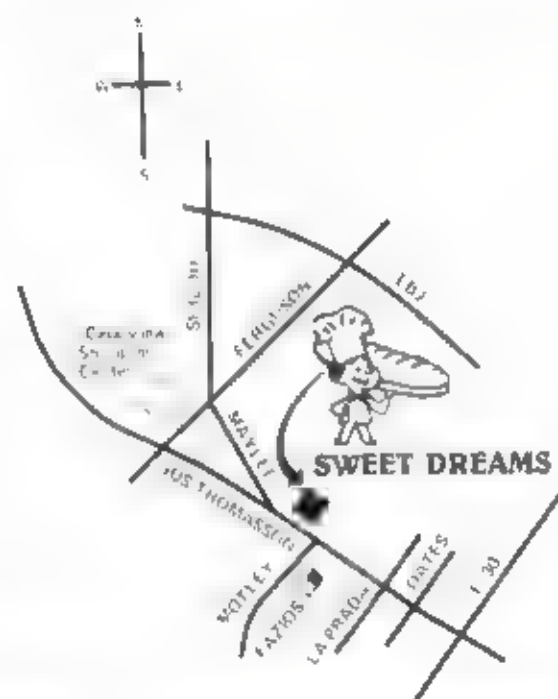
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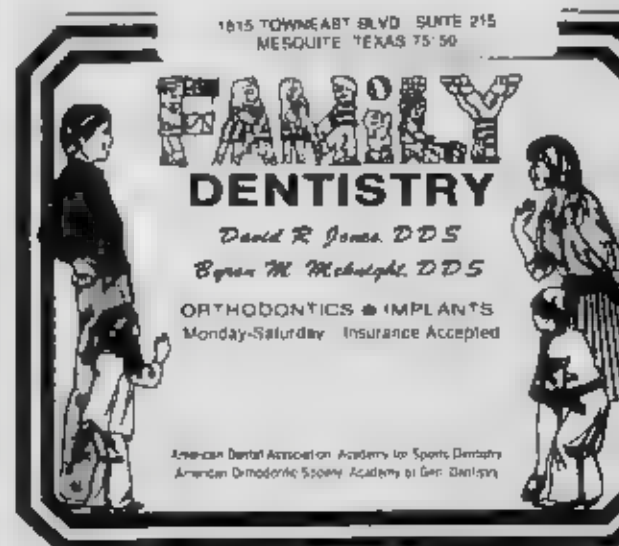


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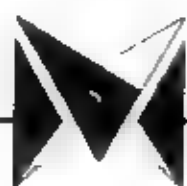


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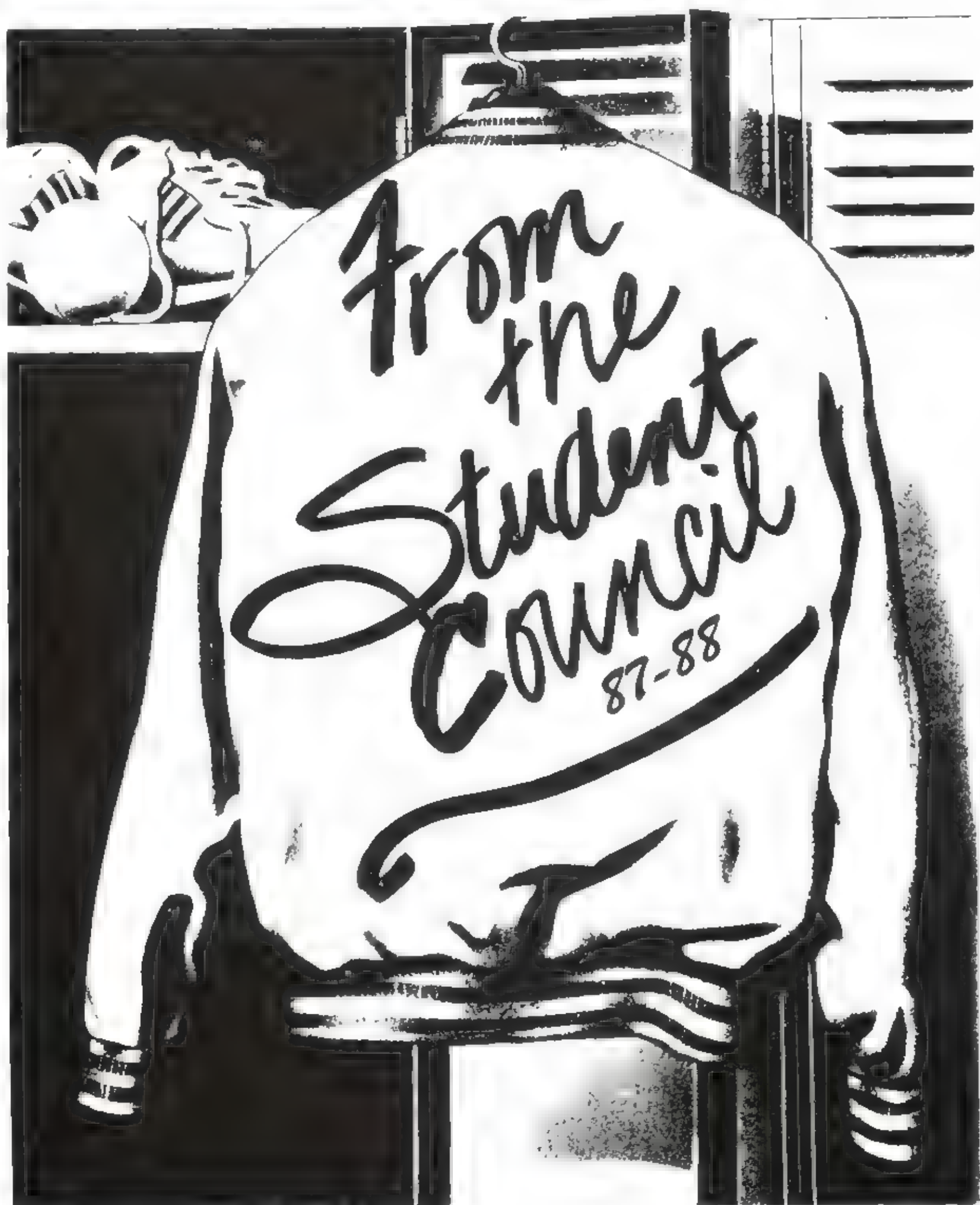
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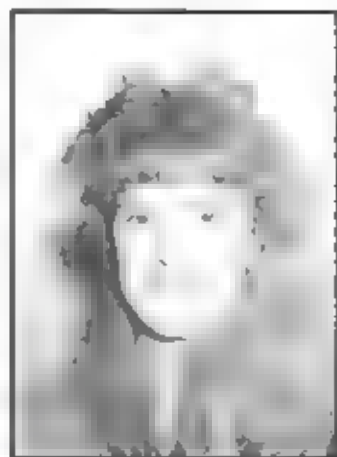


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How did you feel  
your last year at  
North Mesquite?

"I do not believe  
that I am going to  
graduate. I cannot  
get over what went  
on my last year."

— Hwa Jung

"I cannot stand to  
think about the  
things that have  
happened this year  
and when Septem-  
ber 1 rolls around  
next year I will not  
be coming back."

— Donna Seachord

"My last week of  
school was mind-  
boggling. One min-  
ute I was excited to  
be graduating and  
the next I was ready  
to cry."

— Kim DeLeon



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What were your reactions when you saw the decorations in the cafeteria and in the hallways?

"The new attraction in the cafeteria added a more attractive look to the school. They did a good job on the Stallion."

— Reena Koran

"I am kind of short anyway and the blue strip above the lockers made me feel shorter, but a bigger part of the school."

— Mary Chacko

"The color red on the stallion in the cafeteria is what catches my eye."

— Merideth Harris

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# Final Say

When Jostens came to North Mesquite to explain to the sophomores what to do about ordering their rings how did you feel?

"During the week of ordering class rings I was on cloud nine. It made me realize that I was one step closer to my senior year."

— Sonya Sturgeon

"All year long I have waited for the time to come to order our class rings and when the time came I got so excited I could not decide what I wanted to go on my ring."

— Anne Coffey

"Deciding on what I wanted on my class ring was a lot of fun. Jostens has so much to offer."

— Shannon Kinser

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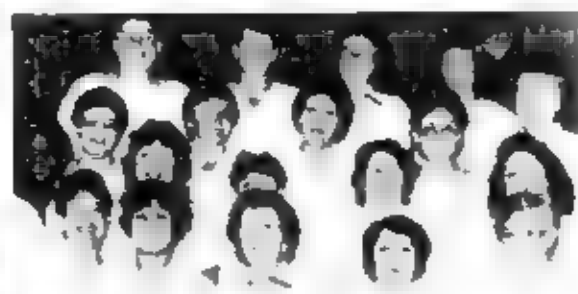
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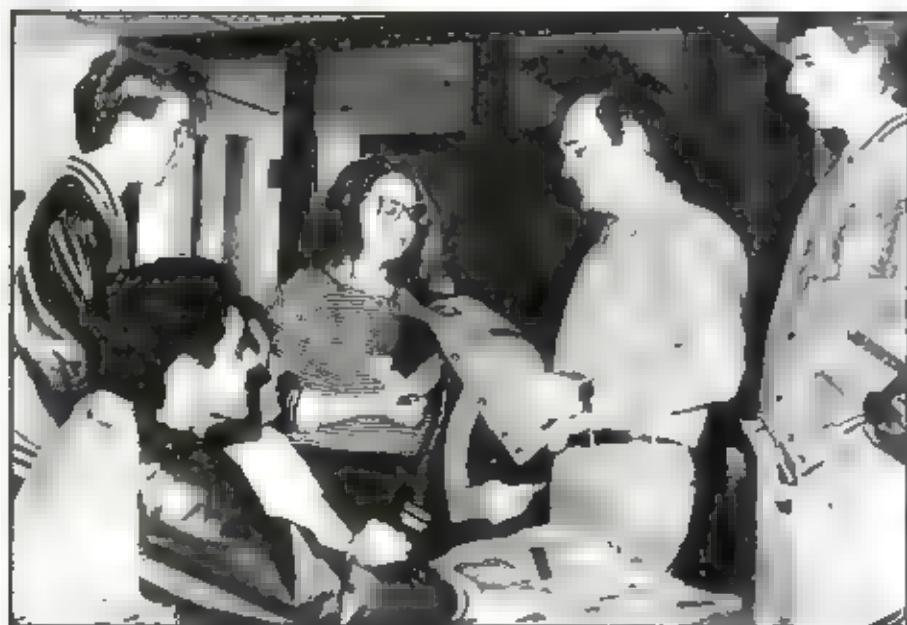
## and Into the real world

No longer a fantasy, the dream of summer vacation arrived as students finished exams and pushed out of the doors at 2:15 pm, June 2. As gusts of hot wind blew in, the Academic Decathlon members received their letter jackets. On Wednesday, May 18, around fifty seniors were honored with a picnic, given by Principal John Campbell, while graduation finally rolled around for 591 graduating students.

On the evening of June 4, seniors of North Mesquite lined up in one half of Reunion Arena to become official graduates, but not without practicing first. Practice was held on the morning of June 4 and any senior who did not attend practice did not walk across the stage at 4:00 that afternoon.

With final exams, Baccalaureate, and graduation few students had time to notice they were about to begin "the rest of their lives" in the real world. Jobs, college, and bills were all waiting to be challenged. With little doubt, we felt we were ready to "conquer the world."

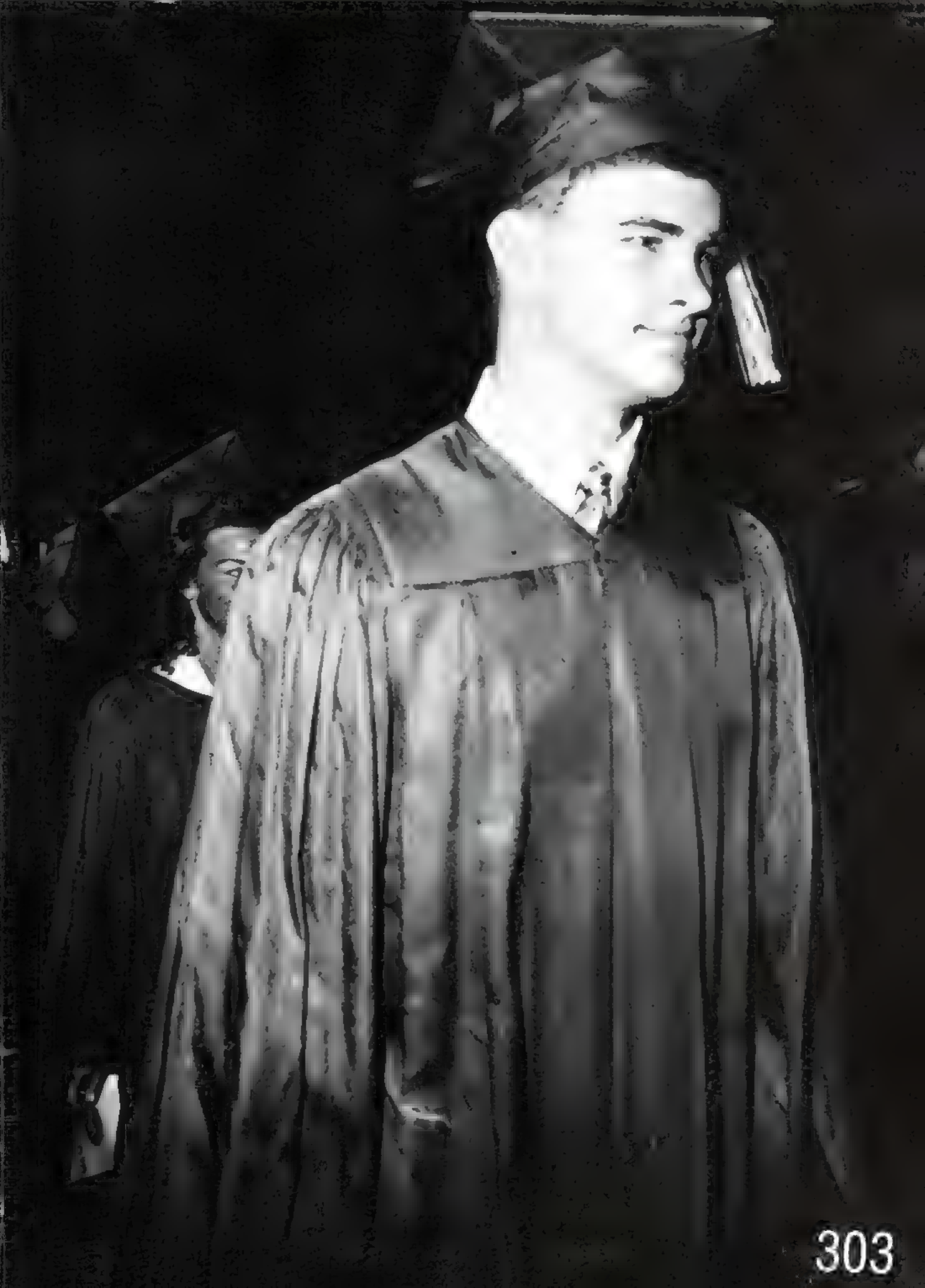
*With graduation less than a week away, John Matthews files out of the auditorium after the Baccalaureate Rehearsal was held on Friday, May 27, at 8:00 in the morning. The actual service began at 4:00 pm on Sunday. Many seniors came early to visit together one last time before graduation. Photo John Winkler*



With summer weather in full swing, Academic Decathlon members Alex Martin, Matt Wolfgang, Mike Ennis, Shari Kirk and Stephen Crabtree receive their letter jackets from sponsor Roger Firth. Jackets did not arrive until early May. Photo by Ron Taylor

Speaking to the Mesquite Education Association on January 24 Henry Cisneros, mayor of San Antonio, talks about education, especially the role of minorities in education today and in the future.







**Going for the gold.** Marc Leone aims for one of the three holes in the wooden target as Brian Nabors waits his turn. This activity was one of many that took place for a select group of students on Principal John Campbell's Council of Honor. The Council's basis for selection was at least five nominations from past and present teachers. At the picnic, held on May 18, barbecue was served, along with ice cream and other treats. The Council represented just a few of those seniors who had made the transition and were ready for the real world. *Photo by Ron Taylor*



BRENT,

Hey Cutie! I am  
really glad we are friends.  
You are a SUPER nice guy.  
Even though you give me the  
eye across the room all the  
time you're still pretty nice!  
Good luck Always Sweetie!

♡-Ya!

Sabre

Heidle

Brent!  
You are such a  
dude! I'm really glad  
that I met you this past  
year. You are a real sweet ♡  
♡ ya Jenna

Brent,  
I'm really  
glad I got  
to know you.  
You a great  
guy!  
Love ya  
Christy

Hey Brent!  
Sure am glad  
we got a class  
together. This year  
maybe we can have  
a little more talk  
I'll never forget our year  
adventure on our little  
solar truck! We're in  
the truck! ~~That's~~  
I was for. Well  
have a good year!  
K Du Ray





Showing their support for the Stallion football team, Donna Kautzsch and Wendy Burkhardt tape posters on the school building after school. A poster party was held before the Mesquite game to raise spirit.

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Stallion Battalion member Jason Ganze talks to Jennifer Seabolt before the homecoming game. After Amy Dickey was crowned homecoming queen, the Stallions defeated the Greenville Lions 45-14.



During a halftime performance, Steve Tucker looks to the drum major as the percussion line plays the drum feature, for the crowd in the stands.

Back Cover: With only days away from the "Big Day" graduates Hoda Naaman, Steve Crabtree, and Karlee Brown, try on their caps and gowns, issued by Assistant Principal Gary Fortenberry. Graduation was held at R union Arena, June 4.



# Out of TIME and SPACE

Ten months is the time it took for us to move from left field to move into our new places. By June 3 we all moved up, forward, and for the seniors, out. It was a year of growth and maturing and anticipation for the freshmen who would return in the fall. But jobs, college, summer fun was waiting for students on the other side of the NM doors into the . . . REAL WORLD.



Moments after a 9-7 Area win, The Stallion Battalion members and a host of fans flood the Cotton Bowl to hoist the NM flag and celebrate the victory.

**Colophon** "Out of Left Field," volume 19 of the *Trailblazer*, North Mesquite High School's yearbook was printed by Taylor Publishing Company, Dallas, Texas, with Ray Westbrook as representative. Format was 9"x12" with a press run of 1,500 copies.

Eighteen students in Yearbook Production I, II, III along with one adviser produced the titlist book and was delivered September 1, 1988. Subscriptions were \$18 for the 304 page book that had 32 full color pages and 36 pages of spot color on 80 pound enamel paper.

Michelle Chapman created the cover design, along with artist Dolores Landin as TPC consultant, that featured a lithocote color photograph above the title with red spot color and color flecks on the gray horizontal bar. Endsheets were printed on 100 pound enamel paper and also featured color cutout photographs announcing the contents sections. Blue diamonds lace both cover design and endsheets.

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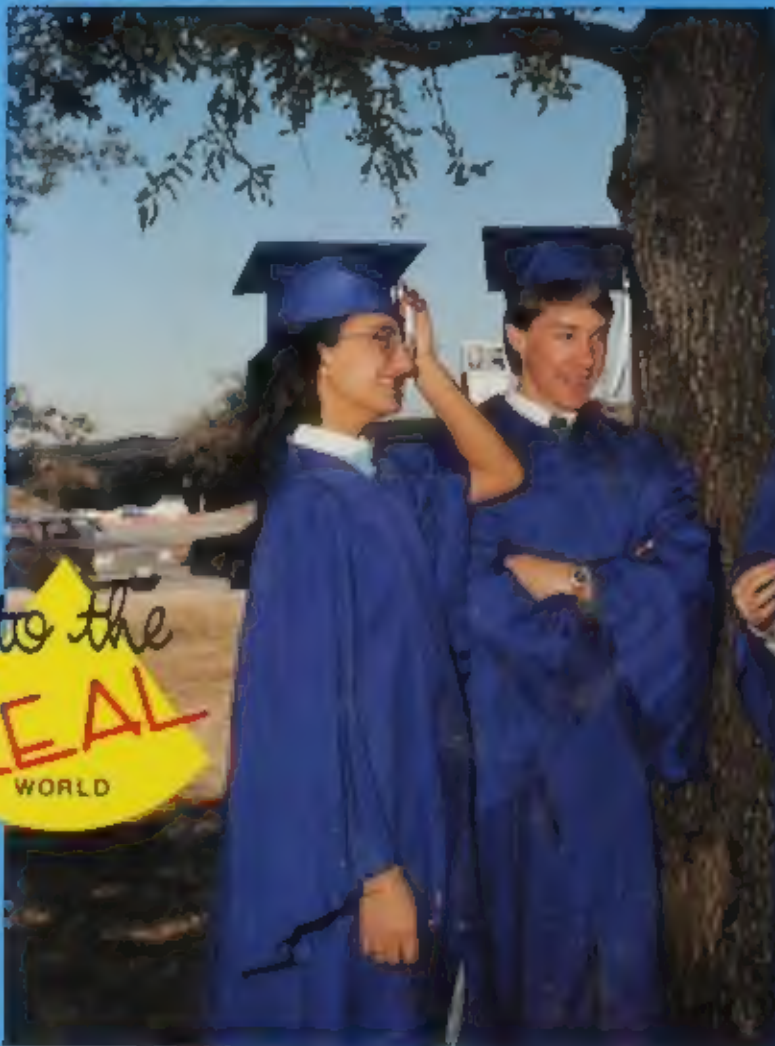
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With a Highland Park Casey Clyce sign on his back, Danny Slodowick is given a hard time by fellow nerds on the afternoon of the HP game. The Stallions held Clyce to 33 yards and defeated the Scots, 24-14.





Into the  
**REAL**  
WORLD

